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WAR TO "SHOWER" ON BRITAIN?

London, To-day.
Herr von Ribbentrop's Danzig speech gave the lead to the Nazi press for a windy chorus of hate and menace against Britain.

Field-Marshal Goering's newspaper stated: "The moment has come when the war which Britain wanted must shower down on the British Isles themselves."—Reuter.

SOVIET NOTE TO BRITAIN

Moscow, To-day.
The Soviet Government have handed a Note to the British Ambassador which declares that the British list of contraband violates the principles of international law, gravely impairs the interests of neutrals and destroys international trade.—Reuter.

ITALY'S NEW AMBASSADOR FETED

London, To-day.
The new Italian Ambassador in London, Signor Bastianini, was guest of honour at a luncheon given by the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, yesterday.—Reuter.



October 10 was the first National Flag Day of the War in aid of the sick and wounded. Photo shows the Premier in deep thought as Mrs. Chamberlain buys her flower at No. 10.

HITLER IN DEEP CONFERENCE WITH ARMY CHIEFS

London, To-day.
HITLER HELD ANOTHER conference with high ranking officers in Berlin yesterday. Conferences of this sort have been so numerous during the past few days that it seems that the Nazi Government is still in a state of indecision.

AIR RAID WARNING TO BE CHANGED

London, To-day.
It has been decided that local air raid warnings are unsafe, and that in future warnings for the whole of Britain will be sounded by the Air Office commanding-in-chief, Fighter Command.

It is pointed out that during the past few days thousands of people have been warned to take shelter in many cases by the use of aircraft which carry no bombs. Under this system it is impossible to make any distinction between the warning of an air raid and the warning of a general attack.

Meanwhile the Nazi press continues to breathe fire and slaughter. Headings yesterday morning were: "Battle!"—"With Arms!"—"The sword will decide." This supports the theory that Hitler will now start aerial and naval warfare directed exclusively against Britain.—Reuter.

R.A.F. TRIP OVER KRUPPS

LONDON, TO-DAY.
A BRANCH FACTORY OF KRUPPS IS TO BE VISITED BY THE R.A.F. TO-DAY. THE FACTORY IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT IN THE WORLD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF STEEL. IT IS THE ONLY ONE IN THE WORLD WHICH PRODUCES STEEL IN SUCH LARGE QUANTITIES. THE FACTORY IS SITUATED IN THE CITY OF ESSEN, IN GERMANY. IT IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT INDUSTRIES IN THE WORLD.

GEN. GAMLIN CONFERS

Paris, To-day.
General Gamelin, Commander-in-Chief of the Allied land forces, was received in Paris last evening by the Premier, M. Daladier.—Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST:—North-East and East winds, moderate to fresh; fine to cloudy.

EXPLOSION IN M.T.B. OUTSIDE HONG KONG

An explosion, which damaged the craft and injured a naval rating, occurred on a Motor-Torpedo-Boat outside Hong Kong this morning.

The M.T.B. was on patrol at the time of the accident and no details are known.

The naval authorities issued the following statement, in view of certain rumours which found their way into circulation:

"Motor Torpedo Boat No. 11 was damaged this morning by a slight explosion in the engine-room.

"One naval rating was injured. "The M.T.B. has returned to harbour for repairs.

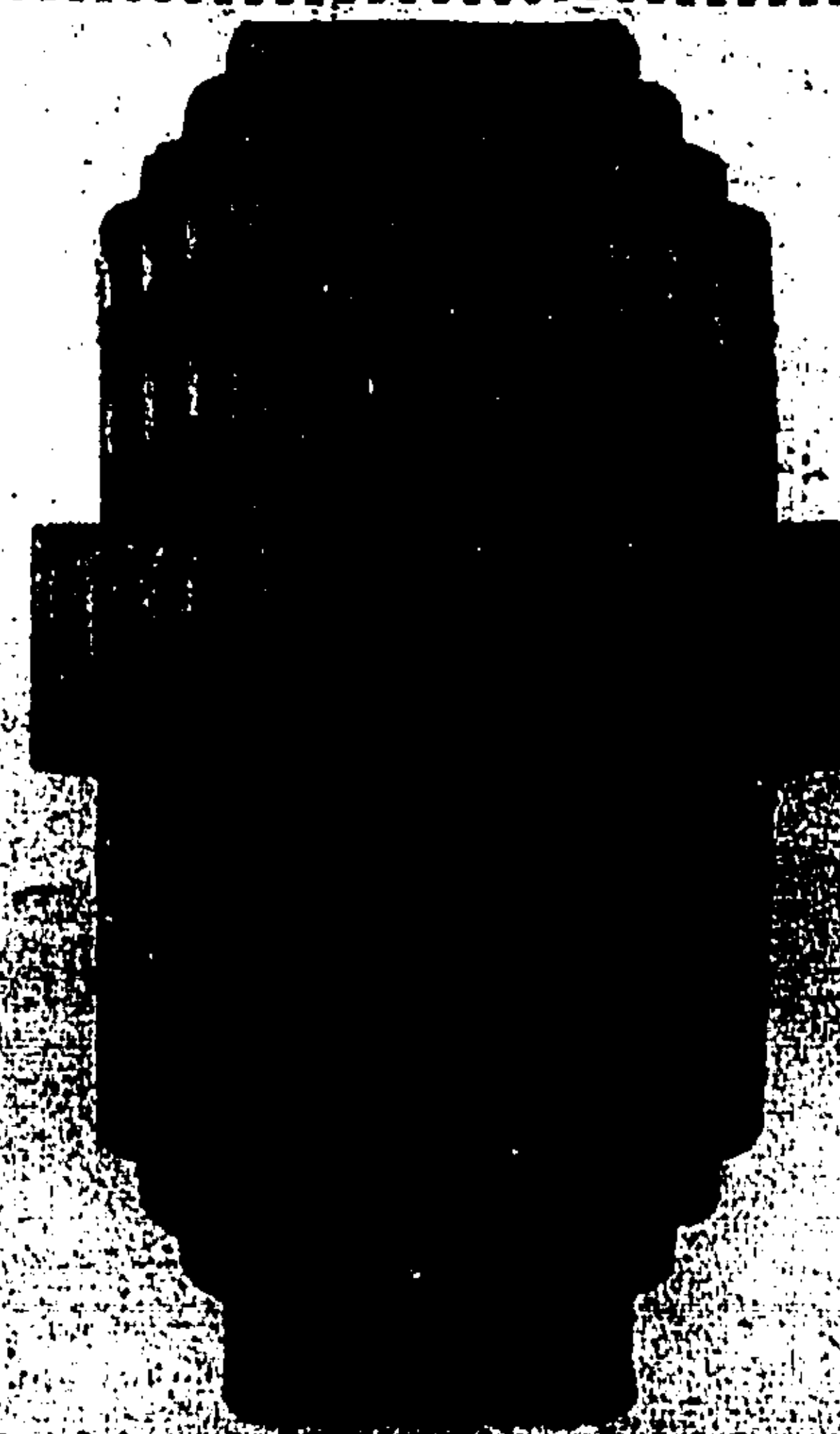
The M.T.B. was badly damaged as a result of the explosion, which apparently holed her. She was brought into harbour lashed to two other craft to prevent her from sinking.

GOOD NEWS FOR LONDON

LONDON, TO-DAY.
THERE HAS BEEN GOOD NEWS FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS IN LONDON.

The closing of several Underground stations, for strengthening against air attack, it was originally thought, would be continued for some time.

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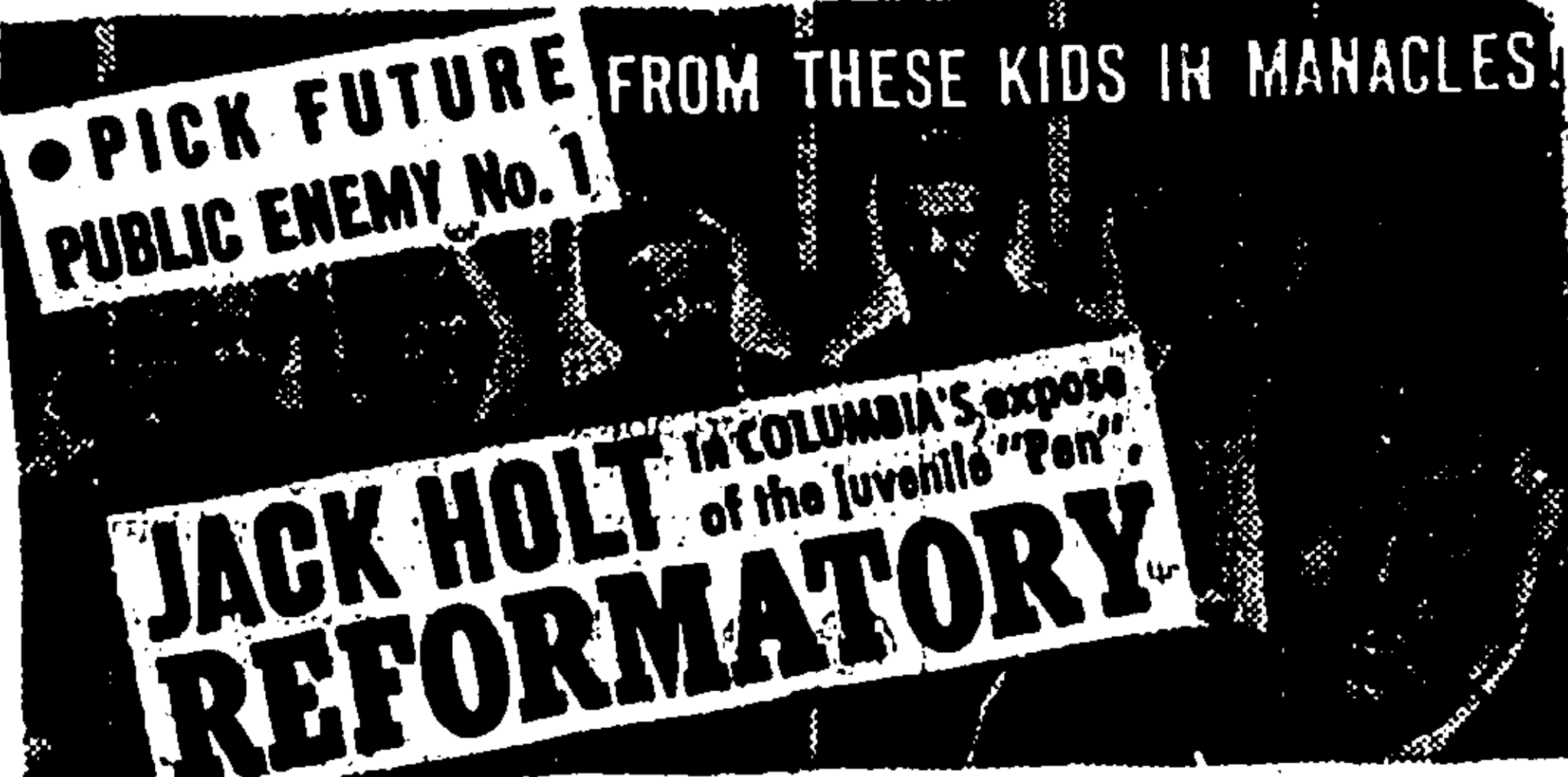
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ANSWER GIVEN TO RIBBENTROP CHARGES

London, To-day.

THE FOLLOWING FACTS disprove Ribbentrop's al-
legations that Britain had plotted the war for
years and rejected all Hitler's peaceful over-
tures.

- (1) Britain has permitted Hitler to reintroduce,
build an air force, remilitarise the Rhineland
and occupy Austria and Sudetenland:
- (2) Britain has constantly striven for good understanding
with Germany and the present British Government
has been strongly criticised in the United States and
neutral countries for the lengths that it went to
achieve this end:

(3) Britain's guarantee to Poland
was given on March 31. Poland had
rejected Hitler's demands on March
26.

(4) Mr. Chamberlain returned from
Munich last year with Hitler's pro-
mise that any question arising be-
tween Germany and Britain would
be settled by consultation. Mr. Cham-
berlain said: "This means peace in
our time."

Six months' later Hitler betrayed
him by seizing Czecho-Slovakia.

ITALIAN OFFICES

(5) Both Britain and France re-
plied favourably to the Italian peace
proposals of August 31 but laid "it
down as a fundamental, in reply to
the second proposal of September 2,
that the Germans should evacuate
Polish territory.

(6) Germany herself made war
inevitable by invading Poland on
September 1.—Reuter.

BRITISH TRADE DRIVE

London, To-day.

The Board of Trade is discussing
with export industries the possibility
of exporting to markets where Ger-
many has an advantage, owing to
their close proximity, as well as to
other markets where Germany is
finding it difficult to supply goods.

This was announced in reply to a
question in the House of Commons
yesterday by Mr. R. S. Hudson,
Secretary for Overseas Trade. —
Reuter.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN TRADE

London, To-day.

The question is being considered
of following up the Anglo-Russian
agreement for an exchange of timber
against rubber and tin by a fresh
agreement more suitable to war
conditions.—Reuter.

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LORD CAMROSE ORGANISES HIMSELF OUT OF MINISTRY

London, To-day.
LORD CAMROSE, PROPRIETOR of the "Daily Telegraph" and Chief Assistant to Lord MacMillan, Minister of Information, speaking in the Ministry of Information debate in the House of Lords, said that he had arranged with Lord MacMillan that he should no longer occupy an official position in the Ministry itself.

He added that the machinery had now been put in running order and given a fair chance he had no doubt that Lord MacMillan could make it function properly.

FIGHTING FOR CIVILISATION

London, To-day.
The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, addressing the Conservative 1922 Club at the House of Commons last night, said we were not fighting for Imperialist reasons but to save civilisation, which was threatened in many ways.—Reuter.

DON'T WANT TO GO HOME TO THE REICH

Copenhagen, To-day.
The German Party in Denmark has protested against the suggestion that Germans in northern Schleswig be compulsorily returned to the Reich.

The Party held a protest meeting after the question of transfer was raised in Parliament by a Nationalist member.

The leader of the German Party described such a plan as an insulting suggestion to be rejected indignantly.

He said: "Here we belong and here we stay."—Reuter.

Lord Camrose added that as a result of organisation he had managed to organise himself out of a job but would gladly give what assistance he could from the outside.

Lord Midleton, initiating the debate, said that people seemed to have been brought into the Ministry almost haphazard and referring to the total number of the staff on October 8, described them as "1,100 incongruities."

Lord MacMillan in reply, stated that as a result of rearrangement, Headquarters staff had dispensed with 67 officials, with a corresponding reduction of the auxiliary staff, representing a pay-roll of £46,000 a year.

MORE JOURNALISTS

Lord MacMillan paid a tribute to the work of Lord Camrose in assisting him and also referred to the desirability of obtaining more journalists in the publicity side of the Ministry's work.

He added that with all the work the Ministry was doing it was ridiculous to think that a manager and a couple of office boys were enough. Lord MacMillan also revealed that the Blue Book on the origin of the war reached 182 destinations throughout the world.

An admirable film had been made of British air activities both in defence and attack and in response to requests, arrangements had been made to ship it immediately to South Africa, India, Singapore, Australia and Canada.—Reuter.

ROBBED OF \$304

Mrs. E. F. B. Cooper, of 224, Nathan Road, was robbed of a handbag, containing \$304, while walking in Cox's Road at 10.15 a.m. yesterday.

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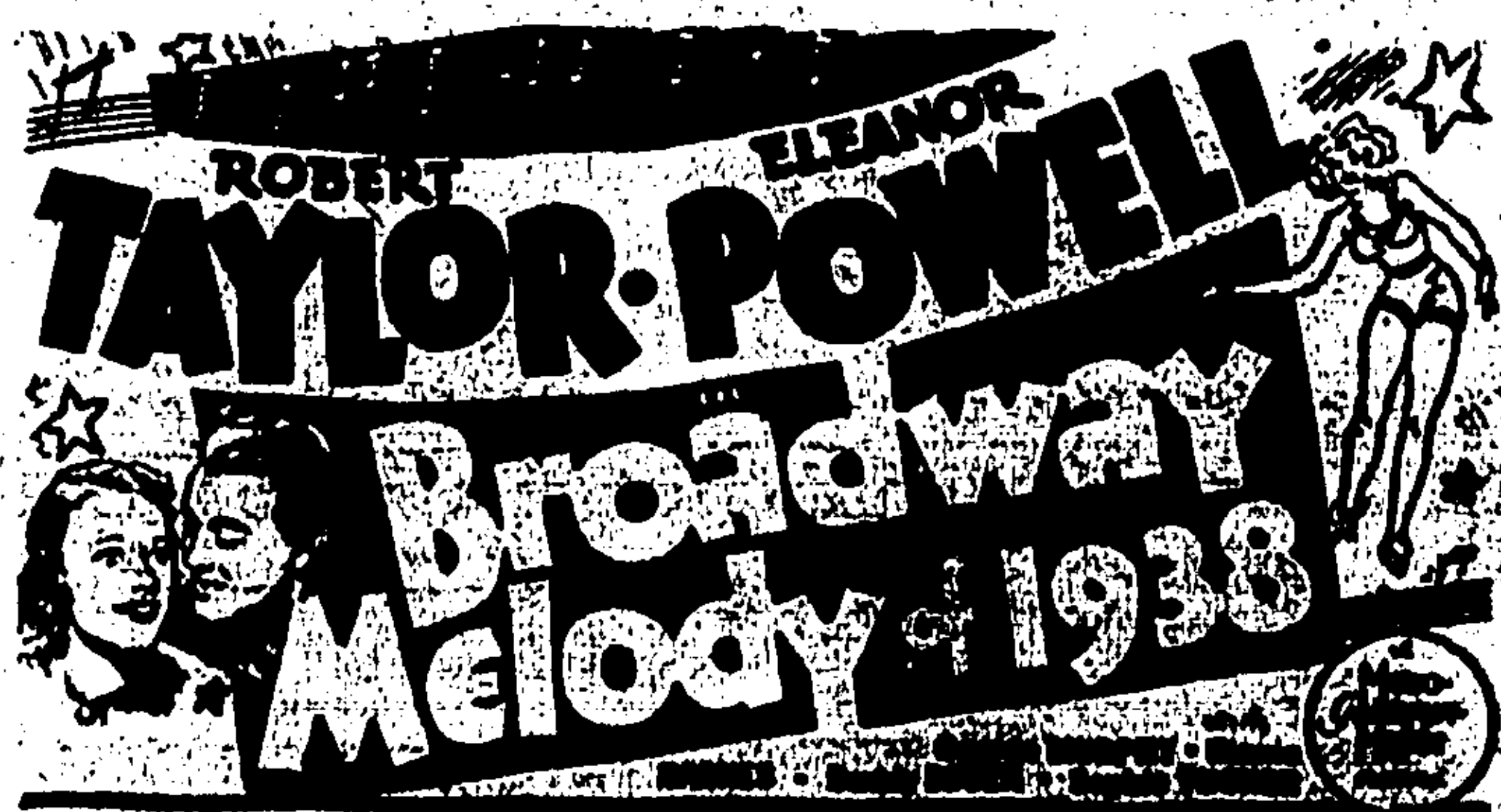
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German Radio Propagandist Picks On Hong Kong

INCOME TAX OPPOSITION USED AS A WEAPON

UNITED STATES OF EUROPE

London, To-day.—It was announced in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon that the Government would bear in mind the suggestion of forming the German people that we would consider the formation of a United States of Europe after the war.—Reuter.

CONFERENCE OF MIDDLE EAST STATES

Paris, To-day.—Reports that Turkey, Iran, Iraq and Afghanistan (who in 1937 signed a non-aggression pact) are planning a conference in the near future at Baghdad or Ankara, have aroused intense interest in well-informed circles.

Parliamentary exchanges of views have already taken place.

The meeting is thought to be connected with the conclusion of the Franco-Turkish agreement and it is probably also to review the effect of the Turko-Soviet negotiations on the situation in the Middle East.

The non-aggression pact between the four states contains a very precise definition of aggression and might form the basis of a group similar to that formed by the States of the Balkan Pact.—Reuter.

THAT AIR RAID "ALARM"

The "air raid alarm" (which sounded to us more like an "All Clear" signal) yesterday afternoon, which was reported to have caused "excitement" in the City, was caused by a short circuit in the electric horn of a motor-car in Wellington Street just below the "China Mail" office.

The horn blared for a minute or two before the owner disconnected it.

ARABS FOR ALLIES

LONDON, TO-DAY.—ARAB SUPPORT FOR THE ALLIED CAUSE WAS EXPRESSED BY THE NEW SAUDI ARABIAN MINISTER IN PARIS IN AN INTERVIEW IN ISTANBUL.

The Minister said: "All Arab countries are watching with great interest the events in Europe, and sympathise with the Allied cause of justice and harmony against aggression."

"All Arabs are ready to give the fullest support to the Allies."—Reuter.

London, To-day.—THE GERMAN WIRELESS has been playing up an article in the "South China Morning Post" with reference to the "indignation of the Chinese population at the introduction of income-tax in Hong Kong."

The following is (in London considered) relevant in this connection:

(1) If the paper actually wrote as reported it shows the great liberty enjoyed by the press in British colonies. Such a free expression of opinion would be inconceivable in German territory.

(2) Chinese British subjects in Hong Kong have for many years held seats on the Executive and Legislative Councils.

There is no question of taxation without representation!

(3) It is well known that Chinese British subjects and other Chinese in Hong Kong, so far from complaining of British administration, have always appreciated the security and liberty assured them in the Colony at times when China has been swept with unrest.

Their appreciation is shown by their readiness to serve with the Colony's naval and military forces.

NEW TAXATION

(4) As regards the new taxation it is not surprising that the strain imposed on Hong Kong by the China Incident should necessitate tapping new sources of revenue.

The influx of refugees and new defence measures have increased expenditure while disturbance to trade have affected the normal sources of revenue.—Reuter.

SO THIS IS PROPAGANDA

*** The German Radio has apparently been making use of the anti-tax campaign of the "Morning Post" to build up a ridiculous story of unrest in the Colony.

The reply ventured by unofficial London quarters, however, shows the unwisdom of comment without full acquaintance with the facts. Paragraph Four of the "relevant" considerations is, of course, nonsense from beginning to end. The proposed tax has, it need hardly be stressed here, nothing whatever to do with ordinary revenue requirements, strains or disturbances to trade or the China Incident or increased expenditure.

The second sentence of Paragraph Two is, too, calculated to provoke a slight raising of the eyebrows.

DOMEI TALE REFUTED

LONDON, TO-DAY.—The Japanese Domei news agency carries a report that at the beginning of the war, Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, told the Japanese Ambassador in London that Britain would no longer support General Chiang Kai-shek.

It is categorically denied in official quarters in London that any such statement was made.—Reuter.

STORY IN COMPONENT PARTS

London, To-day.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in stating that the enquiry into the loss of the Royal Oak would take place as speedily as possible, indicated that they would have to be very careful not to do disclose information which might be of advantage to other parties.

Asked if his attention had been drawn to the U-boat commander's statement that he was for two days in the vicinity of Scapa Flow, Mr. Churchill said: "I have a number of statements made by the U-boat commander, a part composed of a repetition of information given in this House and a part having no relation to fact (laughter).—Reuter."

RETIRING ENVOY SEES KING

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE KING YESTERDAY RECEIVED IN AUDIENCE AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE, SIR ERIC PHIPPS ON HIS RELINQUISHING HIS APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR IN PARIS.

Later Sir Eric and Lady Phipps lunched with the King and Queen.

His Majesty also received Col. Denys Reitz, the South African Minister for Native Affairs, who is the first Dominion Minister to arrive in London for the pending Empire conference.—Reuter.

PARCELS TO PRISONERS

London, To-day.

The sending of parcels to British prisoners in Germany is under consideration.

Interim arrangements have been completed by the Air Ministry, and the first consignment of parcels for R.A.F. prisoners in Germany was despatched on October 20.—Reuter.

INCOME TAX STRAW VOTE

The easiest and most amusing pastime in the world is to play around with suggestions for new forms of taxation or for increasing the levels of existing taxes, with a neat and natural tendency to choose those least likely to affect the selector's own pocket.

Government has proposed Income Tax in Hong Kong as a special war contribution, in the belief that its incidence will be more equitable than any alternative tax or taxes.

A vote which provides a cross-section of public opinion on the straight issue is likely to prove more valuable than vague wanderings round the fiscal field, and the "China Mail" offers the following questionnaire to its readers:

INCOME TAX STRAW VOTE

Do you approve of Income Tax in principle? . . . YES . . . NO

Do you approve the Government's tentative proposals? . . . YES . . . NO

Would you be affected by them? . . . YES . . . NO

If you feel the burden to be too heavy, would your objection be met (a) by an extension of the allowances . . . YES . . . NO

(b) by extension of the initial five per cent. basis to cover, say, the first \$6,000 of taxable income, against the first \$3,000 as now proposed? . . . YES . . . NO

(c) or both? . . . YES . . . NO

Strike out the answer inapplicable.

The questions are posed on the basis that the purpose of Government's desire to raise additional revenue is endorsed.

Additional comment by readers will, of course, be welcomed.

R.A.F. CASUALTY LIST

London, To-day.

The seventh R.A.F. casualty list gives the names of 7 officers and 25 other ranks, of whom 18 were killed and 14 are missing.—Reuter.

SUNRIPE CIGARETTES

GNEISENAU DESTROYED?

Oslo, To-day.
An eye-witness of the R.A.F. raid on Wilhelmshaven on the second day of the war declares that the 26,000-ton battleship Gneisenau was destroyed, according to the Norwegian newspaper "Arbeider Bladet."

He states that a bomb went down the funnel and exploded in the engine-room, breaking the ship in two.
Several men were drowned. — Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICA AND THE WAR

NOT EXCHANGING SUBSTANCE FOR THE SHADOWS

London, To-day.

COLONEL REITZ, South African Minister for Native Affairs, in an Empire broadcast from London yesterday, referred to the forthcoming presence in London of Dominion Ministers.

This, he said, would do a great service to the common cause and be proof not only of Imperial solidarity but also of realisation of the fate awaiting smaller nations in the event of Nazi victory.

South Africa especially was under no delusion. Her strategic position, her small white population, and the fact that she produced three-quarters of the world's gold supply, made it sure that she would be "the first to go under" should German succeed.

Colonel Reitz, after dealing with fundamental distinctions between South Africa and other Dominions in race and language, said: "In the past, we fought two bitter wars against the British. I myself who am speaking to you this afternoon served three years under arms against the British Empire and I went into exile in a strange land rather than serve under the British flag. I mention these things to show you the difference between our own part and that of other Dominions. But a generosity unknown in history conferred on us an even greater measure of liberty than we enjoyed under our own former Republics.

To-day, as a voluntary partner in the British Commonwealth, we are not only free, but far safer than we could hope to be if we were on our own, with the smash-and-grab policy which now trying to dominate the world.

SOUTH AFRICA'S POSITION
Passing to events in South Africa on the out break of war, the Minister

WALKING TO WORK WAS AGONY

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said: "Many African-speaking peoples favoured, at first, neutrality, but the position is rapidly improving because it is realised that a neutral South Africa would be a disgraced South Africa at the mercy of Germany who would strip from her South-West Africa which South African troops captured in 1915.

"We have achieved liberty, progress, security within the four corners of the Empire, and we are not going to exchange the substance of what we possess for the shadows that would await us without." — British Wireless.

JUNK FIGHTS TRAWLER

A running battle between a Hong Kong junk and Japanese trawler was reported to the police yesterday afternoon.

The incident occurred off Lau Fo Shan, in the Deep Bay area, just outside British waters.

As the trawler chugged its way towards the junk, the master put on full sail and ran for British waters, members of his crew, in the meantime, replying to the Japanese machine-gun fire with rifles. A cannonshot was also fired, but missed. Pang Wo, sister of the junk's master, was wounded in the buttock.

PIONEER CORPS RECRUITING

London, To-day.

Recruiting starts to-day for the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps.

The Corps will ensure the proper maintenance of all kinds of supplies to our armies at home and abroad.

Men between 35 and 50 are eligible, and the War Office hopes that volunteers will offer their services for a work of such vital importance.

Duties will include handling stores at docks, bases and depots and the maintenance of roads and railways. The pay will be the same as that of the British infantry. — Reuter.

OFF THE RECORD

By Ed Reed



ED REED

2-17 and 2-18, 1939

"That car you're supposed to be working under drove away twenty minutes ago!"

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BRITISH AIR VISIT TO HAMBURG

LONDON, TO-DAY.

A COPENHAGEN MESSAGE REPORTS THAT THE HAMBURG RADIO CLOSED DOWN AT 9 O'CLOCK ON TUESDAY NIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF A BROADCAST OF HERR VON RIBBENTROP'S SPEECH.

It is thought in Copenhagen that the interruption was due to an air raid warning.

Presumably R.A.F. planes were involved, as the Air Ministry statement in London yesterday stated that our planes made reconnaissance flights over Hamburg, Berlin and Magdeburg (75 miles west of Berlin). — Reuter.

PLANES RETURN SAFELY

London, To-day.

It is understood that all R.A.F. machines which took part in the reconnaissance over Germany on Tuesday night, returned safely. — Reuter.

**AN APT RIPOST TO
RIBBENTROP'S SPEECH**

London, To-day.

Referring to the Royal Air Force reconnaissance flights on Tuesday night over Berlin, Magdeburg and Hamburg, the newspapers find food for reflection in the fact that at the very hour when Ribbentrop at Danzig was boasting of Nazi might, as exemplified in the overthrow of Poland, Britain's air power was again being demonstrated to the German people, unmistakably, but mercifully. — British Wireless.

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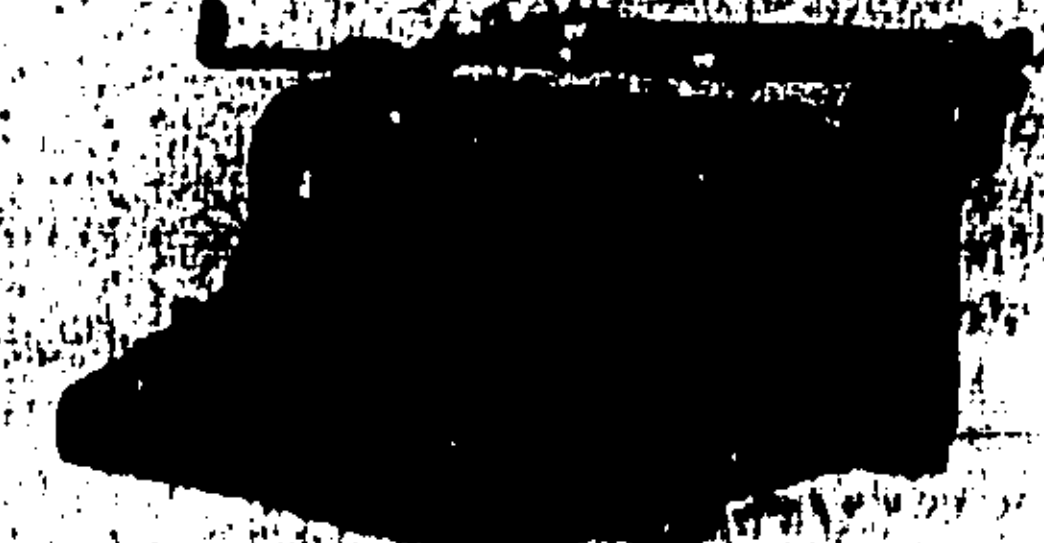
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ANGLO-TURKISH ACCORD TO BE RATIFIED NEXT WEEK: LATEST NAZI CANARD

London, To-day.

THE GERMAN WIRELESS has been quoting an amazing statement about the Anglo-French-Turkish agreement which is alleged to have been taken from an article by the Istanbul correspondent of the Paris "Soir."

The correspondent is supposed to have written that Turkey has been promised 500 British aeroplanes and one-sixth of the petrol production of the Mosul district, the cession of Alexandretta and the withdrawal of half the French troops from the Syrian-Turkish border.

All these allegations are entirely without foundation and it can be definitely stated that they never appeared in the "Paris Soir."

The cession of Alexandretta was, as is well known, the outcome of a separate agreement concluded some months ago between Turkey and France and has already been put into effect.

The statement with regard to Mosul oil can only be described as fantastic.

The German Wireless also says that the British Government had promised to construct a new port for Turkey at their own expense. This is entirely untrue. — Reuter.

EARLY RATIFICATION

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, announced in the House of Commons yesterday the Government's intention to ratify the Anglo-Franco-Turkish Treaty as soon as possible.

Instruments of ratification would, he hoped, reach Ankara next week.

The usual procedure was for treaties to lie in Parliament for 21 days before ratification, but in view of the exceptional circumstances of the present case, they proposed to submit the documents for the King's signature at once. — Reuter.

STABILISING FACTOR

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, in a speech yesterday, stressed the importance of the Anglo-Franco-Turkish Alliance as a stabilising influence. — Reuter.

S.C.A. COST IN A YEAR

WORK UNDERTAKEN BY THE SECRETARIAT FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS DURING LAST YEAR COST THE GOVERNMENT A SUM OF \$141,520.84.

GOVERNMENT REVENUE DERIVED FROM ALL SOURCES BY THE S.C.A. AMOUNTED TO \$17,043.10. ACCORDING TO THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS.

It is pointed out that much of the work of the S.C.A. is concerned with the administration of funds that may be called semi-official.

The revenue in these cases is, in very large part, a matter of voluntary subscription by the Chinese community and outside the Government estimates, with the expenditure at the discretion of the Department and of the various committees concerned. him."

BROADWOOD ROAD INCIDENT

Li Wo, 36, unemployed, was charged, before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, with snatching a handbag from Mrs. N. G. Blair, of No. 12, Broadwood Road, yesterday.

A knife was found near the vicinity. Defendant was remanded for 48 hours.

COST OF LIVING OF THE POOR

There was a slight and fairly steady fall in the prices of commodities included in the cost of living index, but, except in the case of oil, prices remained at higher levels than those which obtained in the period immediately prior to the outbreak of Sino-Japanese hostilities in July 1937, states the annual report of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

In the early part of the year the prices of fish, meat and vegetables were between 10% and 30% above the corresponding figures for the previous year, whilst at the end of the year these prices were 10% or less below the corresponding figures for the previous year. The only violent fluctuation occurred in the case of vegetables, the prices of which rose in October to 80% above the prices for the previous month.

This, however, was entirely due to the temporary dislocation of supplies caused by the Japanese invasion of South China, and by the end of the year the prices of vegetables had fallen to the lowest level for the year, which was about 8% lower than that obtaining at the end of 1937.

The price of rice fell steadily throughout the year, for the first seven months being not more than 9% above the corresponding figures for 1937, and for the last five months being consistently less than the corresponding figures for that year.

THIEF WEARS DIAMOND RING

Mrs. Wehham, of No. 8A, Carnarvon Road, and Mr. P. Braga, of Gilman's Garage, appeared, as complainants, this morning before Mr. E. Himeworth when Lai Pang, 25, was charged with larceny, and sent to prison for one year.

Lai was arrested by a Chinese detective in Kowloon City on Saturday with a diamond ring on his finger. He confessed that he had stolen jewellery valued at \$482 from Mrs. Wehham's residence on October 13, and a "Remington" typewriter, valued at \$300, from Gilman's Garage on October 1.

FEWER MUI TSAI

ACCORDING TO THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE S.C.A., THE NUMBER OF REGISTERED MUI TSAI AT THE END OF LAST YEAR WAS 1,102, COMPARED WITH 1,396 AT THE END OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

The reduction was due to two having died; four having absconded; three having left the Colony permanently; 35 having married; 23 having been restored to parent or relatives; 110 having obtained employment; 31 having been removed from the Register; 84 having remained with the employer as a member of the family; and two having been taken into the care of the S.C.A.

2,558 ADOPTED GIRLS

A total of 2,558 girls, adopted foreign and Chinese children, were registered at the S.C.A. between June 24, 1938, when the regulations governing investment of legal guardianship of adopted daughters with the Secretary for Chinese Affairs came into force, on December 31, 1938.

COLONIES TO JOIN IN AIR TRAINING PLAN?

London, To-day.

The Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, asked in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon what steps would be taken to use the flying services in the Crown Colonies and India, said: "Organisations for flying will be developed to the fullest possible extent all over the Empire. The suggestion that the Empire air training scheme be extended to the Crown Colonies and India will be carefully considered." — Reuter.

BOARDING-HOUSES IN COLONY

At the end of last year there were a total of 141 boarding houses of all classes in the Colony, according to the annual report of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

No new licences were taken out during the year, but 16 were cancelled.

Four cholera cases, three in Victoria and one in the New Territories, two typhoid, fifteen dysentery, one meningitis and 16 T.B. were reported to the Medical Department yesterday.

MR. EDEN'S BROADCAST

NONE OF US HAS DOUBT OF FINAL OUTCOME

London, To-day.

THE CO-OPERATION of the Dominions and Britain in war time was the theme of a broadcast by the Dominions Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, who at the outset referred to the impending presence in London of Cabinet Ministers from Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

There would be practical discussions with these ministers from which would result that close co-operation which is their common aim.

Mr. Eden gave as an instance, the development of Empire air power as one of their war time collaborations with the Dominions who had already begun production of practical results. Discussing the hostilities, Mr. Eden said that the war was less than two months old but Hitler had already lost the initiative.

"The aggressor's early advantage is spent. The road to the east is blocked by Russia or barred by Turkey."

SWINGING INTO STRIDE

"In the west every passing week increases the strength of the free democracies. With fast-gathering momentum we swing into our stride."

German attacks on our fleet and merchant-men had failed utterly in their purpose.

"By comparison with the last war the submarine has proved to be an indecisive weapon while the percentage of losses among U-boats was infinitely higher."

"The Royal Navy and Merchant Marine have swept and kept the seas."

"The much-heralded German offensive in the west still hangs fire while Winter closes in—a Winter doubtless difficult for all but infinitely so, to be dreaded by Germany."

"In all this there is encouragement for final victory and no one of us has doubt with regard to the ultimate outcome."

"Invaders Nazi leaders loudly declare the war was thrust upon them. The

evidence is against them and the documents have been published—the world can judge."

"In Warsaw, as in Prague and scores of other cities, German troops stand as invaders to-day. Every one of them is there in breach of Hitler's pledged word; each is a living token of the German Government's broken faith."

Mr. Eden stressed the success of the British Commonwealth of Nations, and the spontaneous manner in which the Dominions had entered the present conflict showed that they shared Britain's love of liberty and hatred of tyranny. — Reuter.

Every war had to be fought on two fronts, and the army in the field depended on the spirit at home.

"Our democracy is alive and active and is going to win," Mr. Eden declared.

We had witnessed the progressive deterioration of international engagements, which had made war inevitable.

PATCHWORK USELESS

A patchwork peace was useless. We had to win not only the war itself but also the after-war.

We believed that when we had won, a heavy responsibility would fall upon the Allied Powers.

"Our task then will be to work for closer European unity and wider world understanding, for religious tolerance, and for the dethroning of the worship of aggressive nationalism." — Reuter.

NAZI POCKET-BATTLESHIP DEUTSCHLAND, AT SEA AS COMMERCE RAIDER HANGCHOW CAPTURED CITY OF FLINT TRAIN AND SANK TWO SHIPS WRECKED

London, To-day.

IT WAS MADE KNOWN in London yesterday that the American steamer "City of Flint," which was captured by the Germans on Saturday and taken into the north Russian port of Murmansk, had on board 38 survivors of the British vessel Stonegate, which was sunk while on the way from Chile to England.

A member of the Stonegate's crew said that the vessel was sunk by the German pocket-battleship Deutschland.

The crew were taken on board the German warship which then steamed northwards until she met the City of Flint.

The men were transferred to the City of Flint, together with a German prize crew, and were landed at the Norwegian port of Tromso.

Meanwhile the United States Ambassador in Moscow has cabled Washington that the full facts of the seizure of the City of Flint are not yet known in the Soviet capital.

The United States Ambassadors in Moscow and Berlin have been instructed to ask for more information.—Reuter.

RAN SHORT OF WATER

Oslo, To-day.

The British steamer, "Stonegate" was attacked and sunk by the German pocket battleship, Deutschland, on a voyage from Valparaiso to England, according to a member of the crew who had arrived in Norway.

The crew were taken aboard the Deutschland which proceeded northward until she met the United States steamer, City of Flint. They were then transferred to the City of Flint with the German prize crew.

The Germans intended to take the American ship to a German harbour, but she ran short of water, probably somewhere off Greenland, and called at Tromso en route to Murmansk.—Reuter.

U.S. TO FOLLOW CASE THROUGH TO END

Washington, To-day.

The United States Government is determined to follow the City of Flint case through to its logical conclusion from the standpoint of international law and American rights, declared Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, at his press conference yesterday.

Mr. Hull added that the State Department still had no knowledge of the whereabouts of the City of Flint's crew.—Reuter.

NORWEGIAN SHIP WAS VICTIM

Oslo, To-day.

The Norwegian steamer Lorentz W. Hansen, which, as already reported, was sunk recently, was another victim of the Nazi pocket-battleship Deutschland, which has been manoeuvring to the east and south of Newfoundland, according to the newspaper "Aften Posten." —Reuter.

BRITISH SHIP TAFNA SUNK

London, To-day.

Another British steamer, the 4,400-ton Tafna, has been sunk.

Thirty-one of the crew of 45 have been saved.

The Tafna is owned by the La Tunisienne Steamship Company of Swansea, and was sunk in the North Atlantic.—Reuter.

NEW SOVIET DEMANDS ON FINLAND

Helsinki, To-day.

Before leaving Moscow to return to Helsinki, M. Passikivi, leader of the Finnish delegation, said they expected to be back in the Soviet capital next week.

Nothing has been revealed of the new Soviet proposals, but the newspaper of the Finnish Foreign Minister says: "Now for the first time the Soviet has made its precise demands known."

The journal hints that these demands include a mutual assistance pact, and comments that such a pact would strengthen Russia more than Finland.

A spokesman of the Finnish Government stated: "If a political agreement is in prospect, it will not be possible to leave the Diet out of the agreement."

"We will make no concessions which the people of Finland will not acknowledge, nor will we compromise Finnish neutrality or sovereignty." —Reuter.

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

ANOTHER DISASTROUS TRAIN WRECK OCCURRED ON THE SHANGHAI-HANGCHOW LINE AT CHANG-AN, SOME 20 MILES NORTH-EAST OF HANGCHOW ON TUESDAY MORNING.

The train struck a field mine and was blown up. Every carriage and the locomotive was wrecked beyond repair.

Not many Japanese soldiers were killed as there were only a few troops escorting a cargo of livestock and other foodstuffs.—Our Own Correspondent.

102 BRITONS INTERNED

London, To-day.

A total of 102 British civilians are interned in Germany it was announced in the House of Commons yesterday.

The United States charge d'affaires in Berlin is in charge of relief measures where necessary.

Funds are to be sent to him so that he can continue his work.

It is hoped to be able to arrange a more permanent scheme for the internees' relief.—Reuter.

PEACE TALK RIDICULED

Chungking, To-day.

A categorical denial of peace rumours was made by Mr. Chu Chia-hua, Secretary-General of the Central Kuomintang, in an interview with Reuter yesterday afternoon.

He also ridiculed rumours that the Soviet Government had made demands on China, declaring that Sino-Soviet relations were "most friendly." —Reuter.

ROYAL OAK INQUIRY

London, To-day.

Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, announced in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon that the enquiry into the Royal Oak sinking would be completed as quickly as possible.

He could not say when he would be able to make a further statement, but he hoped it would be next week.—Reuter.

ETERNAL TRIANGLE PLUS STICK

An alleged "affair" between his wife and a friend was stated this morning to be responsible for the appearance in Kowloon Magistracy this morning, of Abdul Aziz, 27, a watchman, charged with assault.

The incidents occurred in August, since when the man attacked, Mohamed Hussan, has been in the Queen Mary Hospital, and Abul Aziz has been in custody.

The injuries were caused by a stick.

Mr. Himsworth, saying he was taking into consideration the fact that Abdul had been nearly two months in custody, bound him over in the sum of \$50 to be of good behaviour for one year.

CRUEL BEATING OF YOUNG NIECE

"YOU SEEM TO ME TO HAVE A VERY CRUEL NATURE," SAID MR. E. HIMSWORTH THIS MORNING TO NG LUK, 35, OF TAKULING ROAD, KOWLOON CITY, WHEN HE IMPOSED A FINE OF \$50, OR SIX WEEKS' HARD LABOUR, FOR ILL-TREATING HER 10-YEAR-OLD NIECE.

Inspector H. W. Fraser said that at 10.45 p.m. on Monday, a Chinese constable was told that a girl had been very severely beaten by the woman.

A doctor's examination revealed that though the girl was not in a serious condition she had been badly beaten with a large piece of firewood.

According to the girl, her aunt attacked her because she asked unnecessary questions.

The woman said she could not see clearly because the beating occurred in the dark.

PRINCE MICHAEL COMES OF AGE

London, To-day.

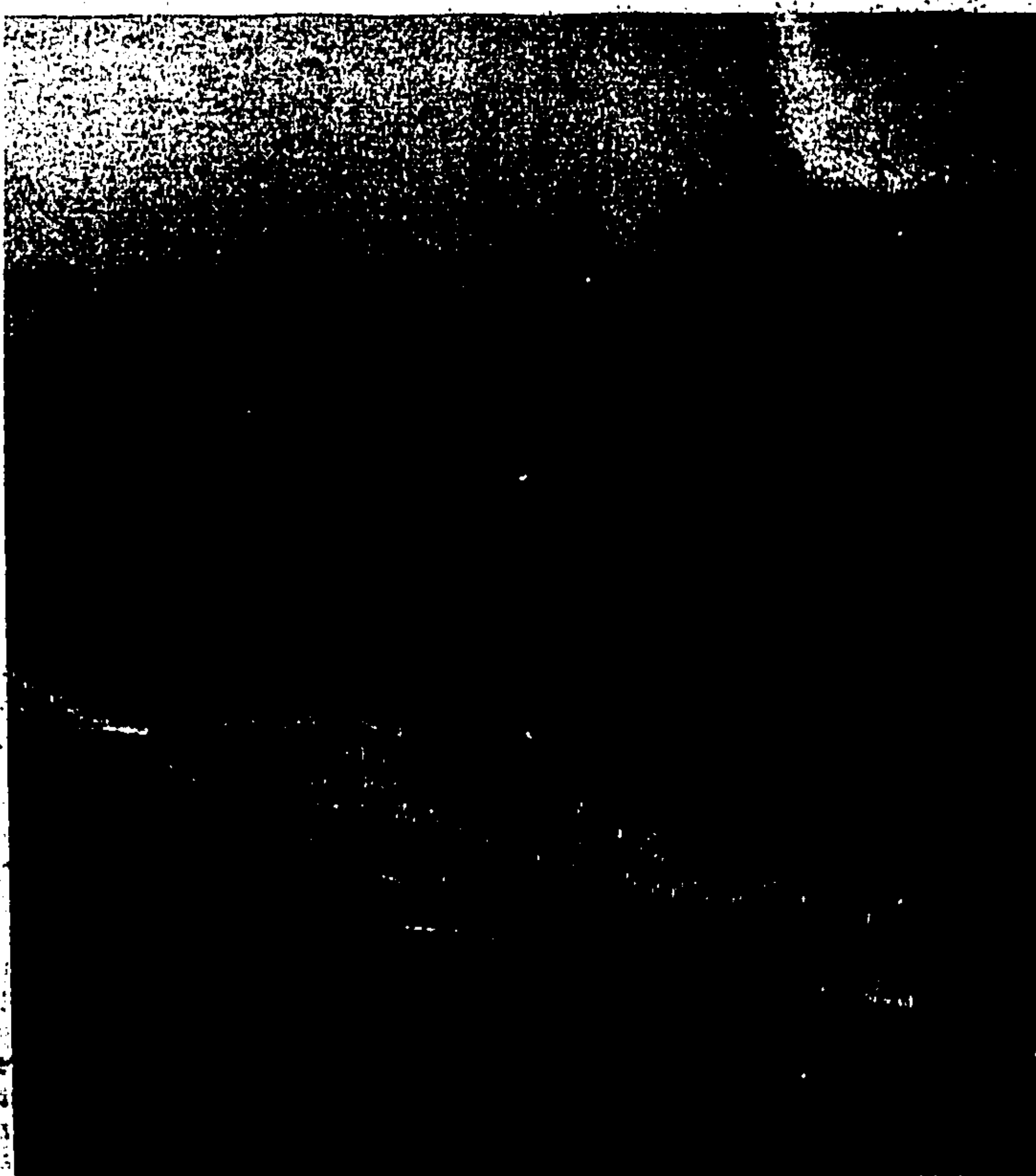
The coming-of-age of Crown Prince Michael of Rumania is the subject of cordial notices in London where, like his father, King Carol, he has many friends.

The occasion, of such import to the future of the Rumanian State, would, in any case, excite sympathy here on account of the friendly relations existing between Rumania and Britain and the high value placed upon them both in official circles and in popular esteem. —British Wireless.

UNEMPLOYMENT DOWN IN U.S.

Washington, To-day.

United States industrial employment has increased by 200,000 compared with September, according to an estimate by the Secretary of Labour. —Reuter.



The pocket battleship, "Deutschland" now reported committed raiding in the North Atlantic.

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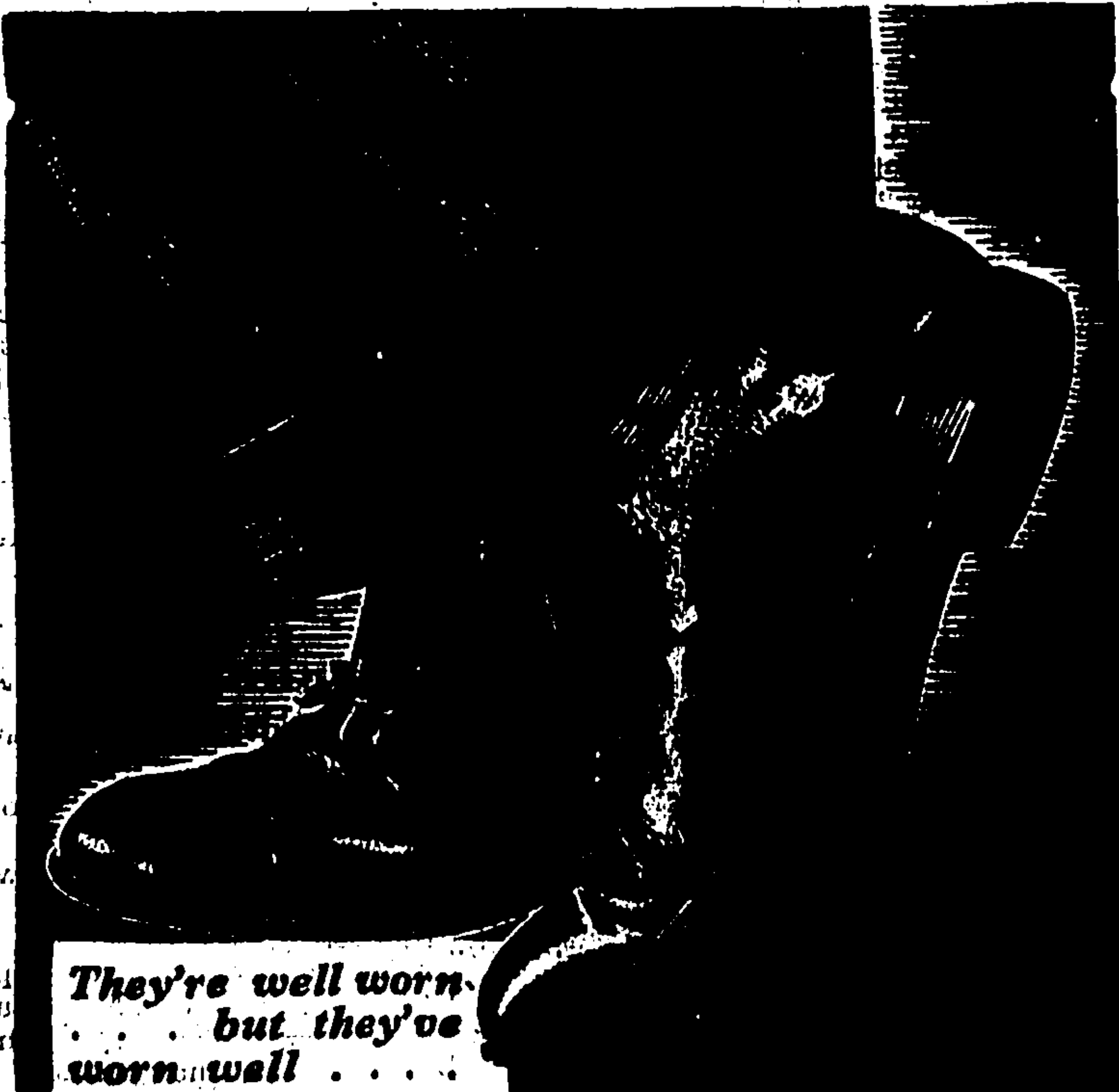
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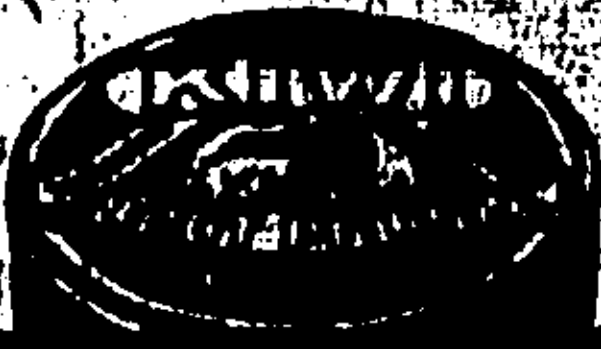
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OPINION****U. S. CRITICISED**

There was no hint of the "quarantining" which the President had spoken of in October 1937, no hint of the measures "stronger than words but short of war" of which the President had spoken in his message to Congress in January of this year. Instead there was an exhortation that Americans must do nothing even to show their disapproval of German tactics. The Radio was urged not to permit "propaganda" talks by commentators, and Hollywood was requested to abandon the production of pictures which might be offensive to Germany and therefore unneutral.

The press meanwhile, with few exceptions, adopted the somewhat strange attitude that the completely impartial attitude of the neutral required that news from either camp must be treated as equally suspect and despite the long German record of prevarication Berlin accounts of the origins of the war were given equal credence with those outlined in the House of Commons by Mr. Chamberlain. The exhortations which had followed Munich that a strong stand should be taken were forgotten and Britain, which at that time had been blamed for putting pressure on the Czechs not to resist the German demands by armed force, were now blamed for failing to put similar pressure on the Poles. Accompanying this attitude which it is difficult not to describe as hypocritical were smug and sanctimonious reflections on the superiority of the American position and attitude. "Aren't these Europeans awful?—fighting again," was the general tenor of this type of comment.

The peculiar nature of American support and the very limited value of American friendship was thus made evident. It was of a type which ceased when most needed. In order to gain American good will and retain it a course was followed, advocated by the United States, which when it led those who followed into grave and overwhelming danger, resulted in the friendship being withdrawn. There is no doubt that if the German demands had been accepted and another compromise made the United States, both its official spokesmen and its press, would have been loud in their condemnation. British action in compromising with force and aggression and lawlessness would have been contrasted with America's firm and uncompromising opposition and there would have undoubtedly been loud complaints that the United States had been let down by British action.

IDEAS RULE THE WORLD

We have no assurance that the British leaflets will reach the German people in any but a physical sense... That enemy or neutral opinion will be greatly affected by German propaganda, on the other hand, is now highly improbable... But in the mere existence of this vigorous war of words there is something reassuring. It testifies to the belief of both sides that ideas matter, all can and do rule the world. It reveals a conviction on the part of the British and French not that might makes right but that right makes might. It does so in the sense that if one can demonstrate that right is on one's side, it strengthens the solidarity and determination of one's own people, it wins over neutral opinion and sometimes neutral adherence, and it may finally affect a substantial part of enemy opinion itself. "New York Times."

HITLER'S ELATION

One wonders if the German people feel the pride and elation Herr Hitler expresses over the conquest of Poland—a conquest of strength over weakness, machines over men. And one wonders how many people in all the countries—even under the madness of war—are going to fall into the mental stupor which accepts atrocity stories, which responds to childish boasts and threats of throwing back five or ten stones if the other child throws one, which does not feel a deep revulsion against talk of God blessing "our arms" in an unholy and unprovoked attack on another people and the admitted destruction of innocent non-combatants.

One cannot answer this sort of thing by pointing out wrongs or inconsistencies. The British Government has issued an interesting document comparing this speech and earlier pronouncements by Herr Hitler on the folly of any agreement with Russia and on the satisfactory state of German-Polish relations under the non-aggression pact of 1934. Such replies are necessary to keep the record straight. They will have some effect with all peoples still able to reason, whereas the Reichsfuhrer seems to steel the hearts of his followers.

But manifestly London and Paris

feel that the only answer to his ironical "limitation" of German aims as lying west of the Urals and Ukraine and his tacit demand for acceptance of a German-Russian division of Eastern Europe is continuation of the war.

Every individual must consider for himself what is involved in this tremendous decision. Certainly only those ready

themselves to make every sacrifice could ask the people of France and Britain to undertake the task they now face. Yet if the issue was whether there was to be continued aggression amounting to anarchy in Europe it has not changed. And all who believe stable and just peace was impossible then must feel now that it could not come out of another and a worse Munich.—"Christian Science Monitor."

**GERMAN CRITICISM
OF BRITAIN**

Great Britain lacks objectivity and has no constructive policy. This is so bitterly resented in Germany that the German people believe England has not the slightest comprehension of the untenable situation created by Versailles. The German people feel constrained to make resolute note of this.

The only constructive policy is for Britain to support unreservedly a reparation of the damages done twenty years ago in Eastern Europe—accomplished with British connivance.—"Deutsche Diplomatische und Politische Korrespondenz," Berlin.

RUSSIA EXPLAINS

In his report to the eighteenth congress of the Communist Party, Stalin said, "We want close, peaceful and good neighbourly relations with all neighbouring States." This has long been the fundamental principle of Soviet Russia's foreign policy which has always tried to safeguard universal peace.

Stalin also said, "We shall continue to maintain this position as long as our neighbours observe the same attitude and do not seek, directly or indirectly, to strike at the integrity and inviolability of the Soviet States' frontiers."

The pact of non-aggression and commercial convention with Germany are a needed prelude to the expansion of friendly relations between our two peoples.—"Izvestia," Moscow.

TERRIBLE FAMINE CONDITIONS IN WARSAW

Paris, To-day.

AN APPALLING ACCOUNT of conditions in Warsaw was given to Reuter by a neutral observer who has just arrived from there.

He declared that dead dogs are in the greatest demand for human food. Such a dog costs nearly ten shillings!

The general misery in the city is indescribable. Many of the most prominent buildings and thoroughfares are totally destroyed. There is no electric light, water or trams, only a bus line running.

All shops are closed and the publication of all newspapers is suspended. But the Germans are running their own newspaper.

M. Starzynski, the heroic Mayor, and other members of the Civil Committee which was charged with the defence of the city to the last are being held as hostages by the Nazis.

STILL REBELLIOUS

M. Starzynski is carrying out his duties in the Town Hall under German surveillance.

The deathlike quiet of the city is only broken at night by revolver shots exchanged between German soldiers and still rebellious inhabitants. — Reuter.

ESTIMATES REVISED

London, To-day.

The estimate of the full extent of enemy losses in the unsuccessful attack on Saturday by twelve German aircraft on the convoy of British ships in the North Sea may have to be revised.

The Admiralty and Air Ministry announced that at least three enemy aircraft were brought down by our fighters and that a fourth raider was forced to alight on the sea.

On Tuesday two German airmen, whose machine had been shot down, were picked up after being adrift three days in a collapsible boat.

Three survivors of a crew of four of another German bomber shot down by a British ship were also landed in England on Tuesday.

A Danish ship, according to a Copenhagen report, picked up two German airmen from the North Sea on Saturday after seeing their plane crash.

SEVEN LIKELY

Pending an official announcement, the opinion is expressed in informed quarters that these three planes had taken part in the raid on the convoy.

It would, therefore, seem that while no damage was done to the ships of the convoy or escort, and no casualties were suffered by the R.A.F. planes which engaged them, seven German aircraft may have been accounted for.—British Wireless.

AUSTRIAN MANIFESTO

London, To-day.

A manifesto from Austrian workers declaring their determination to "make Hitler's war impossible" was read over the Paris radios yesterday in the German language broadcast.

The manifesto declares that the Austrian workers would sooner sacrifice themselves in the struggle against Hitler than fight on the side of their oppressor. — Reuter.

ON THE WESTERN FRONT

Paris, To-day.

A semi-official French statement explains that when the French Army evacuated most of the Warndt Forest they held on to hill-tops and crests marking its southern and south-eastern boundaries.

Since the evacuation the Germans have been trying to dislodge them.

Elsewhere on the western front there were raids and ambushes in which both sides tried to take prisoners.—Reuter.

Paris, To-day.

Last night's communique says:—"Our reconnaissance units and the enemy's have shown a certain activity in the course of the day. We repulsed a German detachment in the region close to the Moselle."—Reuter.

INSIDE GERMANY

London, To-day.

The following reports regarding Germany emanate from a reliable source.

As early as September 17, the inhabitants of Dresden knew that quantities of gas were being transferred daily to depots in the west.

Official steps were taken to prevent contact between the troops from the Eastern Front and the Western Front at railway stations.

Germany is pursuing a policy of sending older men to the front and keeping younger men in Party organisations.—Reuter.

BETTER NEWS

London, To-day.

It is now reported that the survivors of the Clan Line steamer Clan Chisholm comprise 18 European and 60 Indian members of the crew.

This leaves only about 20 men unaccounted for.—Reuter.

SILVER IMPORTS PROHIBITED

London, To-day.

The Board of Trade has prohibited the importation, except under licence, of silver bullion and foreign silver coins. — Reuter.

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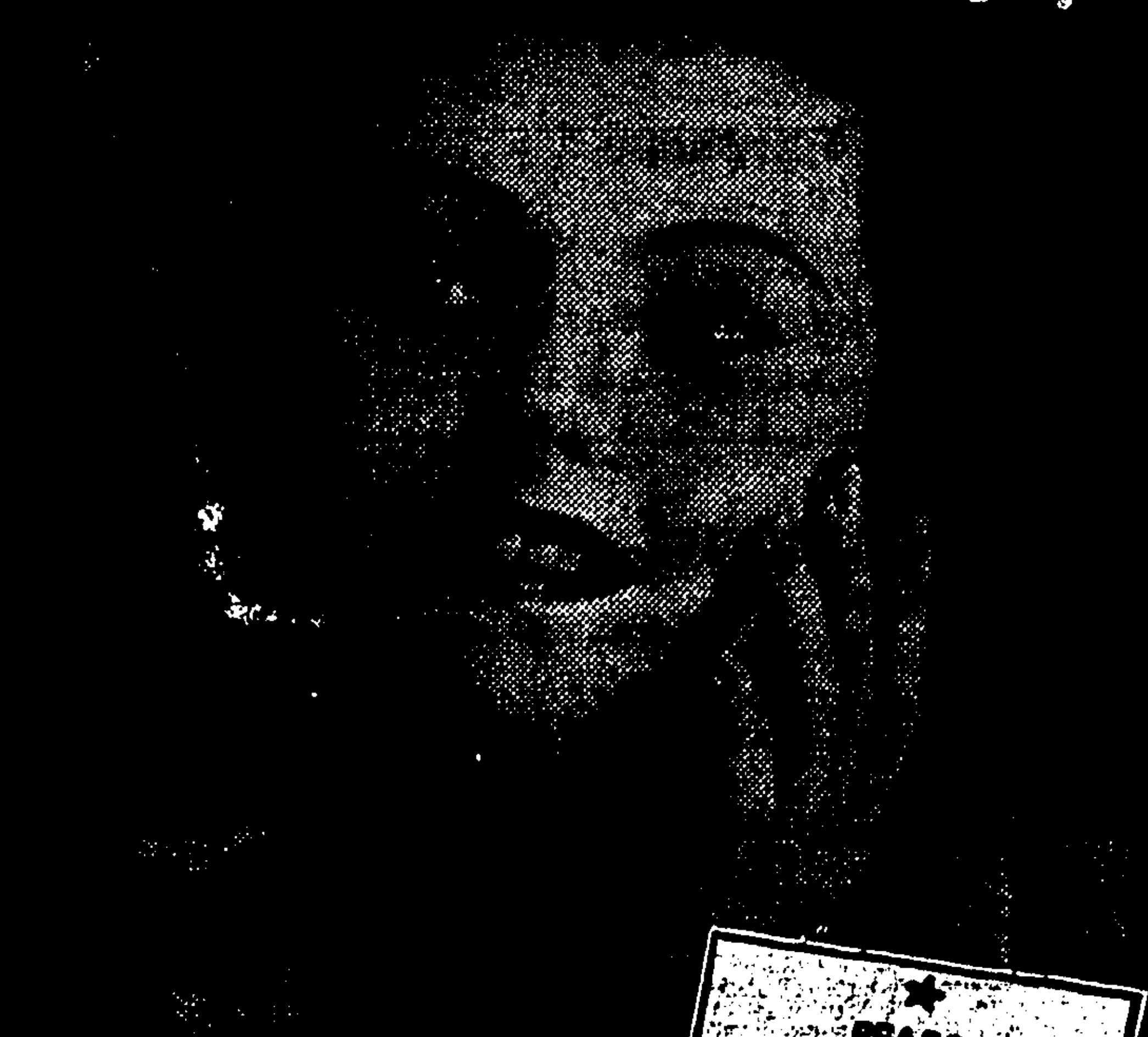


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RIBBENTROP'S TIRADE

London, To-day.

ALTHOUGH DELIVERED too late for general comment in yesterday's morning newspapers, Herr Von Ribbentrop's speech is reproduced with headlines which indicate their views on what is described as an extraordinary tirade against Britain.

The "Daily Telegraph" says the speech completely travestied the events leading to the Allied declaration of war.

"The Times" characterises as fantastic charges that the war was prepared by Britain.

In such brief leading articles as appear, this view of the speech is developed. "The News-Chronicle" under the heading "Mixture As Before" says the speech was calculated to have the greatest effects inside Germany, where there are fewer facilities for checking historical facts.

"Nothing that Ribbentrop said weakens the main count against the Nazis, that in pursuance of their mad ambitions they sabotaged all hope of a peaceful settlement and, time after time, resorted to aggression in breach of their pledged word. Nothing in the speech can alter the determination of the Allies to redress the wrongs which the Nazis have done and to free Europe from the recurring threat of arbitrary and unscrupulous attack."

AID TO TRUTH

The "Daily Mail": The truth is thrown more sharply into relief against the background of Nazi falsehood. The British White Papers are a sufficient answer to the absurd charge that this country worked systematically for war with Germany and that we signed the Munich Agreement because we had not rearmed. Ribbentrop repeats the clumsy manoeuvre of trying to separate Britain and France. —British Wireless.

PROGRESS OF BRITISH BLOCKADE

London, To-day.

Mr. Ronald Cross, Minister of Economic Warfare, reviewed the progress of the Blockade in a statement in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Cross said that 338,000 tons of goods destined for Germany had been intercepted and detained in the first six weeks of the war.

Germany was now practically cut off from all her overseas sources of supply.

The British Government was determined to exercise its belligerent rights, but would take full account of the bone fide trading needs of neutrals.

Discussions were now proceeding with a number of neutral countries on questions connected with the Contraband Control.

Representatives of Iceland, Sweden, the Netherlands and Belgium were now in London.—Reuter.

ATTEMPT TO BUY UP ALL EXPORTS

London, To-day.

The Minister of Economic Warfare was asked in the Commons if, in order to prevent neutrals, especially the Scandinavian countries, coming under German economic influence, he would consider what steps could be taken for Britain to acquire as large a proportion as possible of the exports of these countries for consumption here or for re-sale on the world market.

Mr. Cross replied: "I have these considerations fully in mind and certain purchases have already been made."—British Wireless.

Mr. C. J. Cook, of No. 8, Peak Mansions, has lost his black terrier, which strayed away between 6.30 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. yesterday.

In the attempt) was sentenced to 6 months' hard labour by Mr. R. Edwards in the Central Magistracy this morning.

Accused in reply to the magistrate remarked: "I was fed up sitting in gaol so I decided to escape."

INDIA AND CEYLON NEGOTIATE

London, To-day.

It is understood in London that negotiations are taking place between the Governments of India and Ceylon for a conference in Delhi about the third week in November for the purpose of trade negotiations and discussions on questions of emigration and immigration, and other outstanding matters of common interest. —British Wireless.

GOT TIRED OF WAITING

Lam Muk-sing, aged 24, who escaped from the Victoria Gaol Remand Prison yesterday (spraining his ankle

Bringing Up Father



By George McManus

MINES MANSLAUGHTER CASE

WITNESS DECLARES ATTACKS ON EUROPEANS FREQUENT

AT THE CONTINUED HEARING AT CRIMINAL SESSIONS THIS MORNING OF THE CASE IN WHICH VICTOR SHAMRAEFF, A SHIFT BOSS AT LING MA HANG MINES, IS CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER, IT WAS STATED THAT THE MINERS WERE A TOUGH AND DIFFICULT LOT AND THAT ATTACKS ON EUROPEAN SHIFT BOSSES WERE NOT RARE.

Mr. J. B. Prentis is conducting the case for the Crown, and the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, instructed by Mr. W. C. Hung, is for the accused.

The following jury is sitting: Messrs. E. R. Cutcher (foreman), J. H. Xavier, J. D. Chin, E. Christensen, A. A. Silva, H. S. Advani and H. T. R. Liang.

Lau Sze, alleged that he saw accused strike Ip with his fists and also kick him.

In reply to Mr. Leo d'Almada, he said the blows were struck with the fists closed and not with the open hand.

MINING TERM

Mr. J. Stewart, a shift boss, said that at about 11.30 p.m. he saw a man lying on the ground with two carpenters standing by him. He sent one for water from a nearby creek and the other for accused. When Shamraeff arrived, witness said: "What on earth is wrong with the fellow?" Accused replied: "He attacked me, so I hit him."

After the man had been taken on a stretcher to the mine office, accused went to Mr. Joels, mine superintendent, to report. Accused told Mr. Joels that he had killed a man.

Witness explained that the phrase "killing a man" was a mining term and meant that a man for whom a shift boss was responsible had been killed while on his shift.

In answer to Mr. d'Almada, witness agreed that at Taipo, he had said: "The swine attacked me and I hit him," referring to the statement made by accused.

TOUGH LOT

Accused had had fever, was always on edge and appeared tired, but otherwise was alright.

If a man fell down a shaft and was killed, the shift boss would report that he had "killed a man."

In reply to Mr. d'Almada, witness said the workmen were mostly bad characters. They were not particular in the recruiting of labour. There was no time for enquiries. The miners were generally a tough lot, not energetic and difficult to get to work. They had been known to attack Europeans often. He had been attacked, as had accused and Mr. Olsen, on some occasions, violently, with stones, knives, shovels and wrenches being thrown about.

"KILLING A MAN"

Mr. W. Joels, mine superintendent, said accused and Stewart came to his quarters and accused reported that he had killed a man. Mr. Joels again explained the meaning of this phrase.

They all went to the mess, where he was told the circumstances. Accused told him that workmen had refused to return to their work and he had struck them with an open palm.

There was a regulation that no European was to strike the miners. He could not give the exact regulation but they were not to strike so as to leave marks or draw blood.

ACCUSED'S STORY

Giving evidence, accused said he had been with the company for two years. It took about 10 to 15 minutes to reach the top of the mine and, on his arrival, he proceeded with his work which consisted of tapping for safety, checking misfires and allocating duties to the men. He noticed workmen were absent and remembered they belonged to one gang. Chan Tung went to look and told him the men were sitting at the entrance below and sort of refused to come to work. He went down to get them to work as he had to put out a certain amount of ore on each shift. When he arrived, the men were squatting against the wall.

told them to get to work, by signs, but they remained sitting so he slapped deceased two or three times. The others got to their feet and he slapped one or two others. It was absolutely with his open hands.

He knew he had no business to slap anyone, but he did not use his fists nor kick anyone.

GRIP ROUND NECK

When the third man had gone up the Manway, accused felt a grip round his neck from behind. He turned and brushed the hands aside, and struck twice, not hard blows. The man lost his balance and fell forward and on his left. He told him to get up, which he did. Accused noticed him bleeding slightly from the nose. He took a piece of waste and wiped off some of the blood.

The man asked, by signs, to be permitted to wash his nose. He gave permission and went up the mine.

In his report to Mr. Joels, he did not mention that deceased had attacked him, as attacks were so frequent in the mines, they were often ignored.

There was nobody in the tunnel when he was attacked.

In reply to Mr. Prentis accused said he had never had trouble with any of the witnesses.

In answer to Mr. d'Almada, accused said relations between the Europeans and the miners was not good. There was always a certain animosity.

AMERICA CORNERING WORLD GOLD

Washington, To-day.

The United States Treasury's gold holdings have reached the highest figure on record — over £3,400,000,000, which represents more than two-thirds of the world's monetary gold stocks.

A total of £600,000,000 worth of gold was added to the Treasury's holdings in the past year. — Reuter.

BULGARIAN PARLIAMENT DISSOLVED

Sofia, To-day.

The new Government had ordered the dissolution of Parliament which was due to meet to-morrow. A general election has been promised for December.

The Government's step is no surprise as it is thought it would probably have been defeated if Parliament met. — Reuter.

BRITAIN'S HEALTH

LONDON, TO-DAY:

THE FOLLOWING FACTS PROVIDE STRIKING EVIDENCE OF THE IMPROVEMENT OF BRITISH NATIONAL HEALTH.

On the introduction of conscription in 1917, 65 per cent. of youths of 18 were allocated to grade one.

In June 1939, 83 per cent. of the militia men were classified grade one, and 9.3 per cent. grade two, that is 92 per cent. of the 20-year age group were passed fit for active service. — Reuter.

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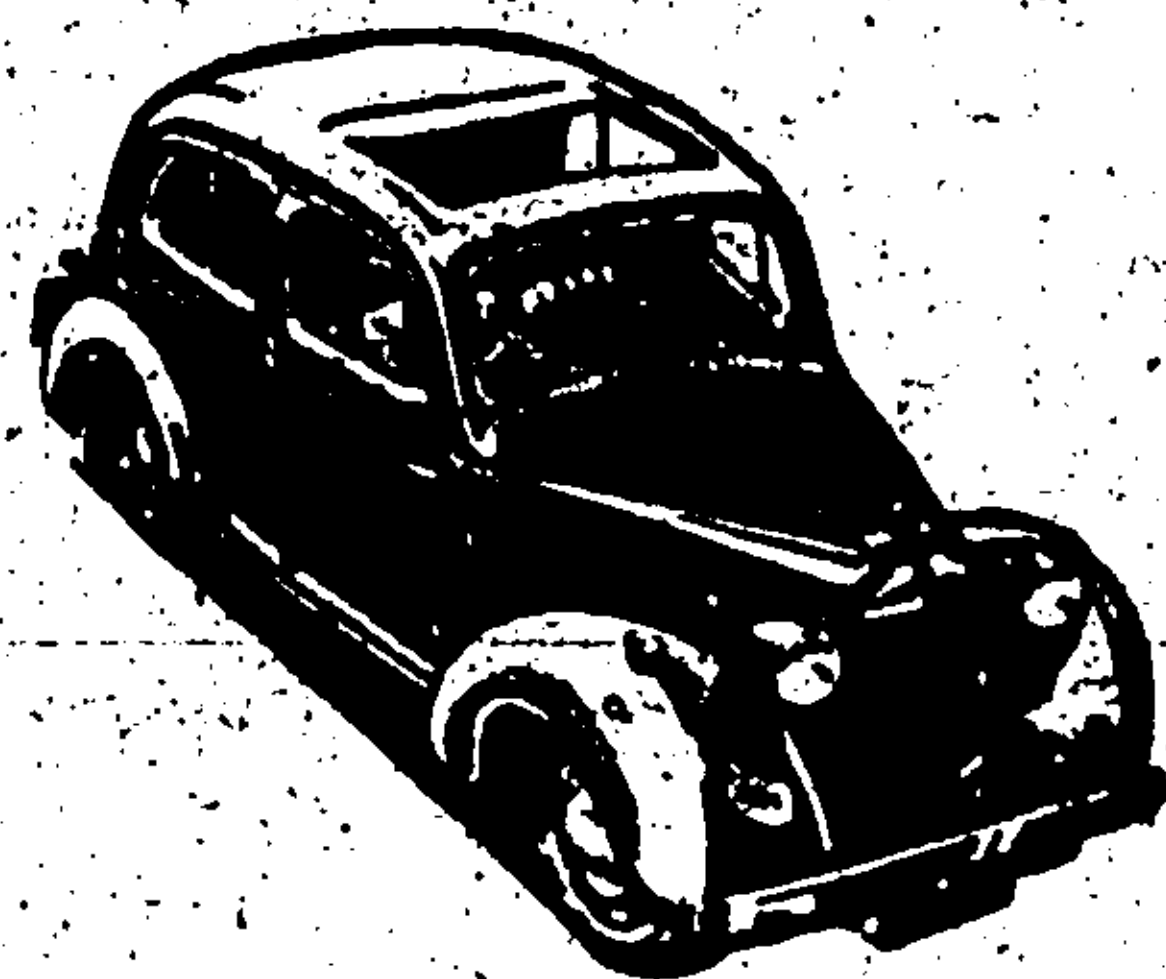
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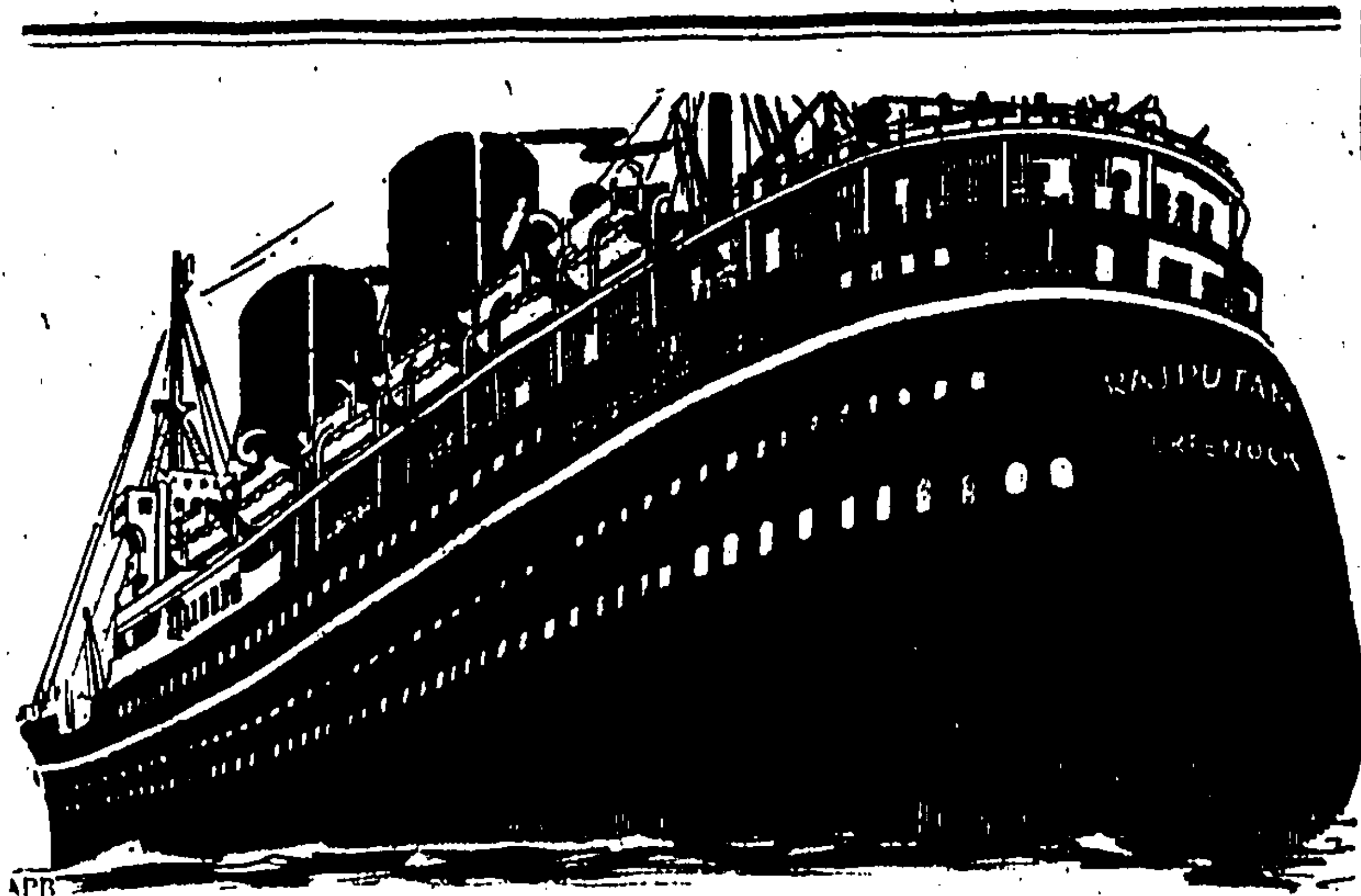
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THE HEART OF POLAND

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This was revealed in a broadcast from a Danish station.

The heart was buried at the foot of his mother's coffin. Marshal Goering represented Germany at the funeral in 1936.

A.R.P. ORDERS

(Orders by Wing - Commander Steele-Perkins O.B.E. Director of Air Raid Precautions).

SPECIAL ORDER

His Excellency the Governor has expressed his appreciation of the work performed by the personnel of the A.R.P. Services on the night of the Black-out exercises on 22nd September

TRAINING

Practical Courses: — Those Members who have passed the Practical Course of instructions, should forward their certificates to Headquarters for Amendment.

Lectures in English now in progress.

V. A. Course for soldiers wives at Kennedy Road Welfare Centre Mondays. 2.30 p.m. Commenced Monday 23rd October. Lecturer Mrs. Steele-Perkins.

Short Course for Nuns. French Convent. Tuesdays at 5.15 p.m. Commenced 10th October. Lecturer Miss Hall. Full A.R.P. Course. 7th Day Adventist Church, Ventris Road. Commenced 16th October. Lecturer Mrs. Dunlop. Mondays and Thursdays.

Short Course European Y.M.C.A. Kowloon. Mondays at 9.30 a.m. Commenced Monday 23rd October Lecturer Mrs. Steele-Perkins.

Lectures in Chinese now in progress.

Practical Course for Instructors (in Chinese).

At P.W.D. Board Room every Saturday afternoon at 3.00 p.m. Commenced 21st October. Lecturer Mr. Chak Tai Kwong.

Special Revision Course for Instructors (in Chinese).

At St. Paul's College on Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 p.m. Commenced on 20th October. Lecturer Mr. Chak Tai Kwong.

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At Chinese Chamber of Commerce Hong Kong. Mondays and Thursdays at 7.30 p.m. Commencing Monday the 30th inst. Lecturer Mr. Fung Yam Leung.

KING LEOPOLD'S BROADCAST

Brussels, To-day. It is announced that King Leopold's broadcast to the United States will take place at 2.15 a.m. G.M.T. on Friday, instead of to-day. — Reuter.

HITLER BRITAIN'S BEST AID

London, To-day.

Since the outbreak of war, British newspapers have given increased space to reports of Press opinion in neutral countries.

These reports, as the weeks have passed, have shown growing comprehension in the neutral states of the attitude of the Allies and of the issues at stake in the struggle which Herr Hitler precipitated by his aggression against Poland.

Speaking in the Lords yesterday, the Minister of Information let fall the aphorism that, "In the United States Britain preferred to leave her propaganda to Herr Hitler."

Neutral press comment would seem to reflect the fact that in the neutral world as a whole, the crudity of German propaganda, of which the latest and most damaging instance was Dr. Goebbels' silly and undignified broadcast about the Athenia, has powerfully contributed to the enlightening of neutral peoples and to disposing them in favour of the cause in defence of which the Allies have taken up arms.

SOUTH AMERICAN VIEWS

Highly appreciated as is the sympathy apparent among neutrals in Europe there is particular gratification, in view of their relative remoteness from the scene of conflict, at the evidence the Press of the South American countries affords, of the way in which the peoples of those Republics have grasped that the aims inspiring Britain and France are the same ideals of liberty and right which are so honoured in Latin America with its great democratic traditions.

These indications of sympathy and understanding in many of the newspapers of Latin America are the more valued for the influential position which, in several cases, they enjoy far beyond their own States on account of their distinguished reputation and authoritative character. — British Wireless.

FOOTBALL IN FRANCE

London, To-day.

A series of Football and Rugby matches between the British and French Armies in France have been arranged by the Army Sports Commission.

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The first match will be played on November 12. — Reuter.

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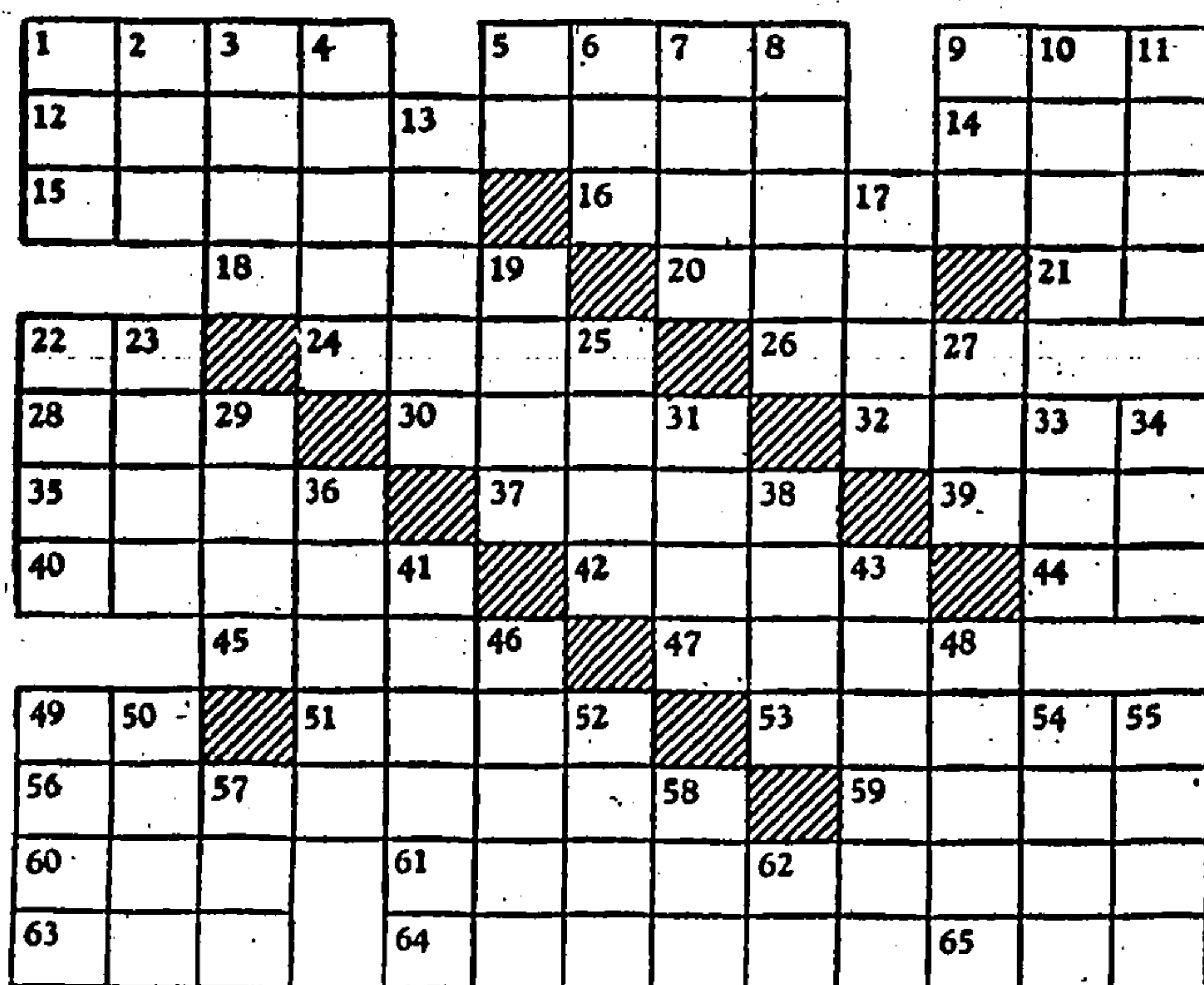
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- 21 One
- 22 Higher
- 24 Deers
- 26 Dry
- 28 Sindbad's bird
- 30 Allot
- 32 Transaction
- 35 Sea of Turkestan
- 37 Legislative session
- 39 Foot
- 40 Unaspirated syllables
- 42 To depend
- 44 Pronoun
- 45 Browns
- 47 Tour
- 49 Pronoun
- 51 Wisconsin Indians
- 53 Make eyes

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- 58 Absent minded
- 59 Greek Juno
- 60 Old English money
- 61 To hold
- 63 Support
- 64 Metric measure
- 65 Mound

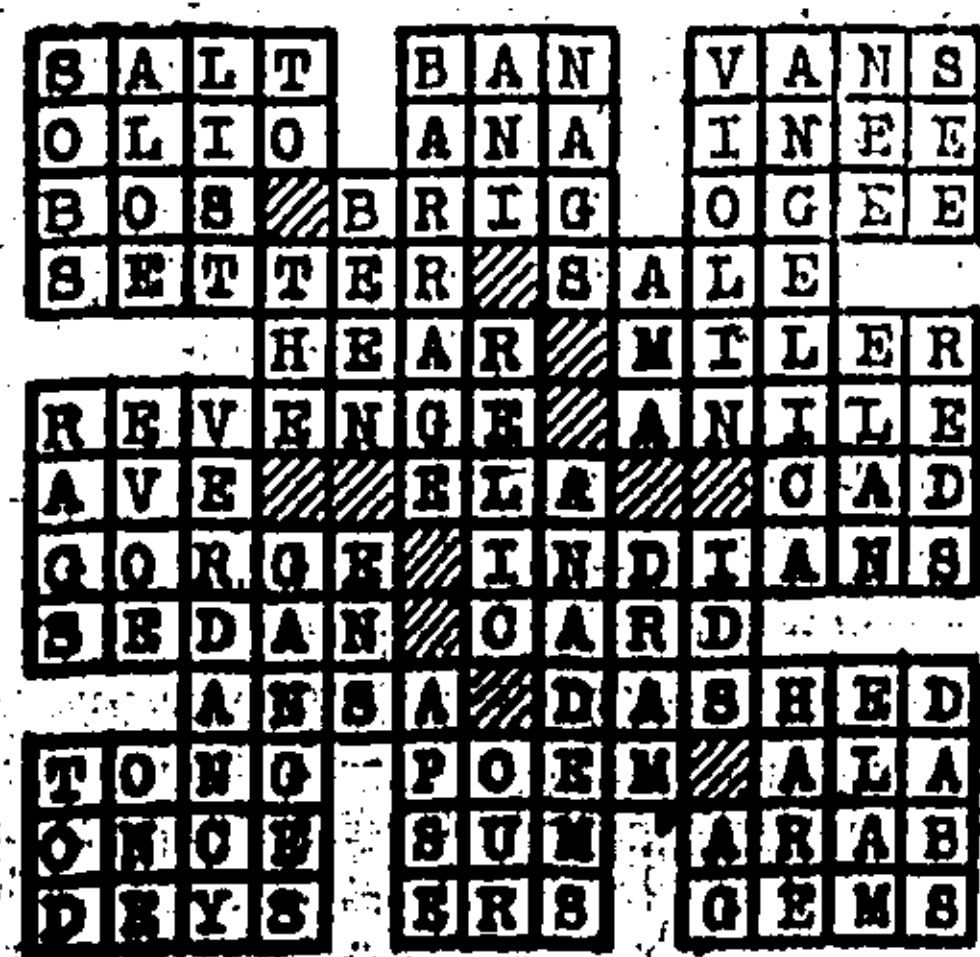
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- 1 Brim
- 2 S. American tribe
- 3 Latin poet
- 4 Purport
- 5 Preposition

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- 6 Indian coin
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- 9 Vestment
- 10 Southwestern river
- 11 Frank
- 13 Was erect
- 17 Is in debt to
- 19 Reward
- 22 Russian river
- 23 Orifice
- 25 To travel
- 27 Top
- 29 Jargon
- 31 Old court
- 33 Rule
- 34 Sheep
- 36 Smallest
- 38 Edible root
- 41 Traps
- 43 Sorrow
- 46 To restrict
- 48 Fold
- 49 Image
- 50 To weary
- 52 Locals
- 54 Lake
- 55 Sensible
- 57 To sink
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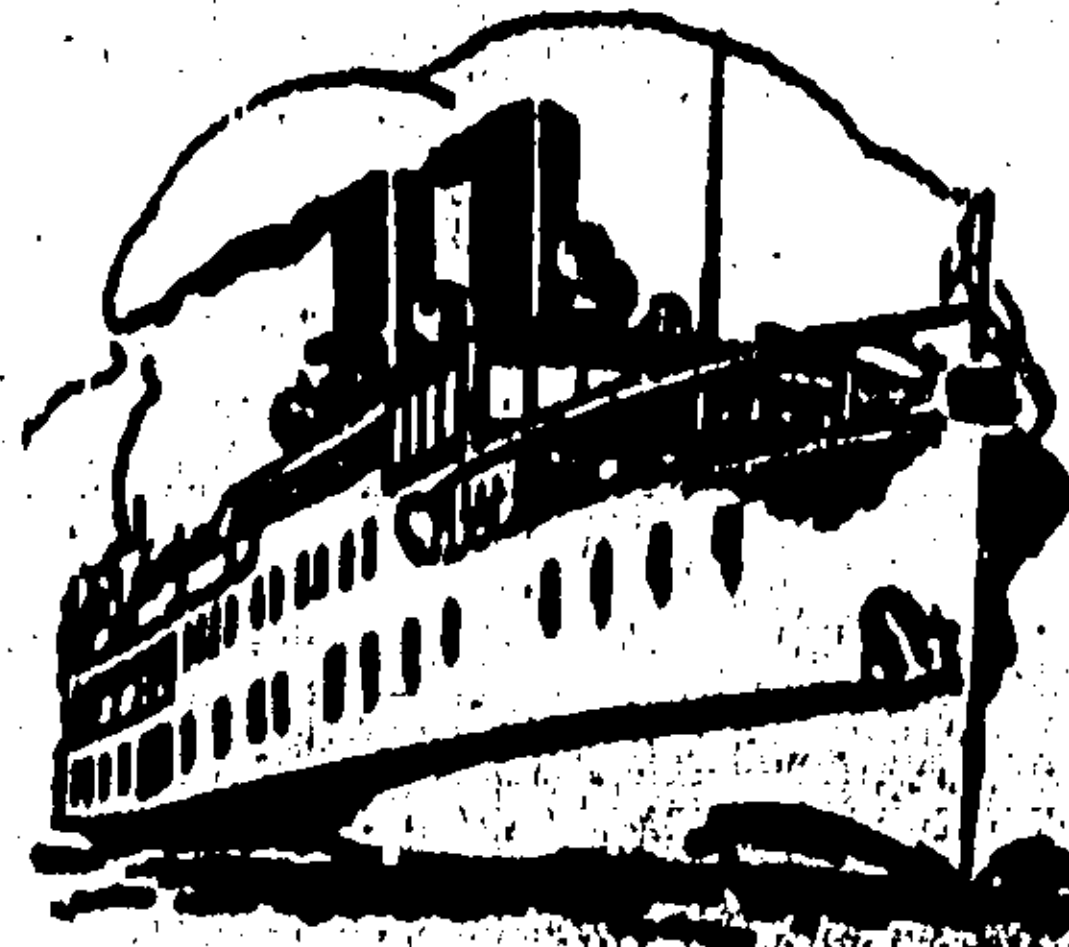
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CHARITY TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The American Tennis Tournament organised by the British War Organisation Fund to take place on Sunday on the Hong Kong Cricket Club courts, has attracted the large entry of 58 pairs, which will necessitate each pair playing on the average 250 games.

The Tournament has been divided up into five sections, and on arrival at the ground, competitors will be given a coloured ribbon, indicating the section they have been drawn in and the court on which their matches are to be played.

Because of the large entry, it has been decided to shorten the matches, all of which will be of five short games on an automatic handicap. The first game will be played level, the losing couple to receive 15 in the second game and if losing the second, will receive another 15, making receive 30 in the third game, which handicap has been fixed as the Maximum. On winning a game, the winning pair in the first two games, will concede 15. Only one deuce in each game will be called. As a result of this handicapping, pairs receiving 30 at the completion of the second game, only need two points to secure the third game.

The pair winning the most games in each of the five sections will play off in a knockout final. Prizes will be awarded to all section winners, but the eventual winners can only receive one prize.

PROGRAMME FOR DAY

The women in the competition may use the Women's Dressing Rooms in the Hong Kong Club.

Programme for the day will be .11 a.m. start: 1 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Cold Buffet Tiffin (at \$1.50 per head); 1.45 p.m. to 5 p.m. tennis; 5 p.m. to 5.45 p.m. Finals. Tea will be served from 4 p.m. at \$1 per head.

Competitors are asked to arrive at the Pavilion by 10.30 a.m.

The following are the five sections:

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CRAIGENGOWER CRICKET TEAMS

The following have been selected to represent Craigengower C.C. on Saturday, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

First XI:—(v. K.C.C. Home)—E. Zimmern (Capt.), A. R. H. Esmail, F. R. Zimmern, A. T. Lee, G. Souza, H. F. Lim, J. L. Young Saye, P. J. Billimoria, W. Hong Sling, A. K. Ismail and A. J. Hulse. Scorer—H. W. Randall; Umpire—G. Ladd; Second XI:—(v. K.C.C. Away)—B. R. Iracee (Capt.), W. K. Way, C. W. Lam, T. Lock, G. Winch, N. Broadbridge, M. C. Hung, G. A. Lee, U. H. Esmail, A. H. Esmail, and S. Ramchand. Scorer—W. Broadbridge.

VOLUNTEER XI

The following have been selected to play for the Volunteer Cricket XI against Army at Sookunpoo on Sunday, commencing 11 a.m.:—R. M. M. King, D. J. N. Anderson, E. A. Bompas, D. de S. Carey, D. O. Parsons, A. E. Perry, W. B. Richardson, E. M. L. Soares, F. R. Zimmern, L. C. Baker and M. S. Banner.

ARMY XV FOR SATURDAY

The following will represent Army against Club on the Club Ground at 4.30 p.m. on Saturday.

L/Sgt. Lang (R.A.O.C.);

Bdr. Marsh (8th H. Regt. R.A.);

L/Cpl. Boe (R.S.);

L/Cpl. Waite (R.E.) and

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Lieut. Douglas (R.S.) and

L/Cpl. Smith (Seaford H.);

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Lieut. Hewitt (Mdx. R.) and

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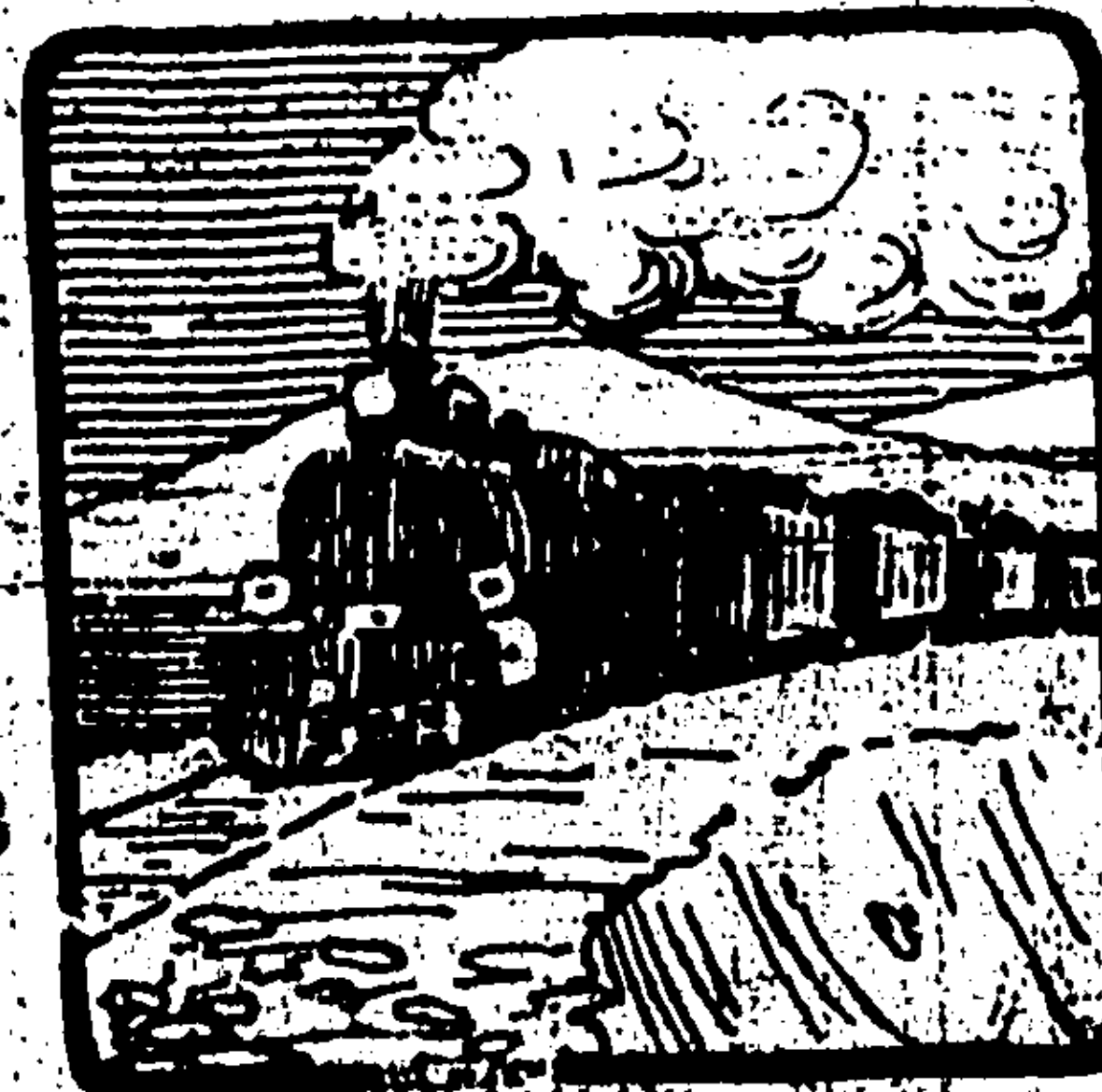
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TO-DAY'S STRANGE STORY OF REAL PEOPLE

MARY STUART AND THE SILVER CASKET

BY VINCENT TOWNE

"Farewell, France, farewell! I shall never see thee more!"

A beautiful girl of 19, esconsed upon a couch, wistfully viewed the French coast from the deck of a vessel which was bearing her back to her native Scotland.

She was Mary Stuart, who, upon the death of her father, James V, had been crowned Queen of Scots when a child of only ten months, and who, after having been specially educated in France for a marriage with the Dauphin had wedded that princeling when she was only 16. A year later her husband had ascended the French throne, but her reign as Queen of France had in another year been cut short by his untimely death. And now this spirited girl, still in her teens, was both Dowager Queen of the French and reigning Queen of Scotland.

The depression which Queen Mary suffered on seeing her beloved France fade from her sight was a shadow cast upon her by coming events. Immediately upon landing in Scotland she became involved in quarrels with her people because of her adherence to the Catholic faith, in which she had been reared. And she was drawn into a dispute with her cousin, Queen Elizabeth of England, whose legitimacy was disputed for the young Queen of Scots. But Queen Mary's worst troubles began when her uncles set about to find for her a second husband. After divers nobles had been suggested to her, she was finally persuaded to share her throne with Lord Darnley, son of the Earl of Lennox, but after their marriage she discovered him to be a vicious weakling, and her justified contempt for him aroused his bitter jealousy. Suspecting her attachment for David Rizzio, her French secretary, the King had the foreigner assassinated under her very eyes.

WIFEY Kitty



Some of the gags on the air are so ancient that when one tunes in on them they stand at attention out of respect for old age.



ENSCONCED UPON A COUCH ON DECK

This crime but increased the Queen's contempt for her consort, and thereafter her friendship with the Earl of Bothwell became the subject of comment.

As Bothwell aided Mary Stuart when all others seemed to desert her, she had clung to his strong arm. But unfortunately for them both, the young King was just at this precarious time blown up with gunpowder while in a lone house. Bothwell, after having been tried and acquitted of this murder, was recommended by the nobility for the Queen's husband, but, throwing ceremony to the winds, he was returning with her suite to Edinburgh and like Lochinvar, he carried her by force to his castle at Dunbar. Then obtaining a hurried divorce from his wife, he married Queen Mary a few days afterward. Thereupon the Scotch nobles, outraged by the adventure, raised a rebellion against their Queen and locked her up in Lochleven Castle. But she escaped to England to seek the protection of her cousin Elizabeth.

Her abduction, having been forced, her evil half-brother, James Stuart, Earl of Murray, illegitimate son of King James, was now made regent for her infant son. But by escaping into England Mary Stuart had but fallen from the frying pan into the fire. Elizabeth, still smarting from her cousins' former claim to the English throne, decided that she must investigate certain charge that Mary had conspired with Bothwell to assassinate her second husband—charges that had been made by the Earl of Murray, who, of course, wished to retain her throne. As proof of her guilt, Murray placed before a commission of inquiry a silver casket alleged to have been given to Mary by her first husband, the young King of France, and to have been given by her to Bothwell. It contained love letters and sonnets alleged to have been written in her own hand to that lord, also two papers, one in her own hand and one subscribed by her.

The letters, if genuine, contained incontestable proofs of a criminal correspondence between Mary and Bothwell, of her consent to the King's murder and of her concurrence in Bothwell's plot to kidnap her and carry her off. Claiming this evidence to have been forged, Mary instructed her commissioners to ignore it. And since then Great Britain has been divided into two camps, those believing that she wrote the celebrated "casket letters" and those believing them to have been spurious. Although these letters had enjoined Bothwell to burn them, he had—was alleged—foolishly committed them to the custody of the deputy governor of

Edinburgh Castle, who in revenge for a later slight had allowed one of Murray's henchmen to intercept them.

By those who have believed Mary guilty it has been argued that Murray would not have staked his success on forgeries destined to pass muster before many shrewd investigators; that the verbosity of the letters proved their genuineness; that they contained particulars which nobody else would have thought to invent; that they detailed a conversation between Mary and the murdered King that was afterward recalled by

a gentleman as having been related to him by the king, and that the Duke of Norfolk was fully convinced of her guilt.

On the other hand, it seemed absurd that any one so shrewd as Mary Stuart should have confided such indiscretions to paper; that any one so wily as Bothwell should have preserved incriminating evidence against himself, and that the Duke of Norfolk, if convinced of her having murdered her second husband, would have later so zealously tried to become her fourth consort. Furthermore, investigation of charters and other deeds signed by Queen Mary showed that she was not in the place mentioned in the famous letters on the days assigned therein.

Moreover, Mary was a clever poet and the sonnets credited to her were crude and inelegant. She was a woman of refinement—who conducted even her amours as a lady—and the letters attributed to her were to the last degree indecent as well as written in a crude style to which she never could have descended.

Later the casket letters mysteriously disappeared. Some said that they were destroyed by friends of her son, the boy King James, that every evidence of his mother's supposed indiscretions might be erased.

Whether genuine or not, the "casket letters" certainly helped to pave Queen Mary's way to the scaffold.

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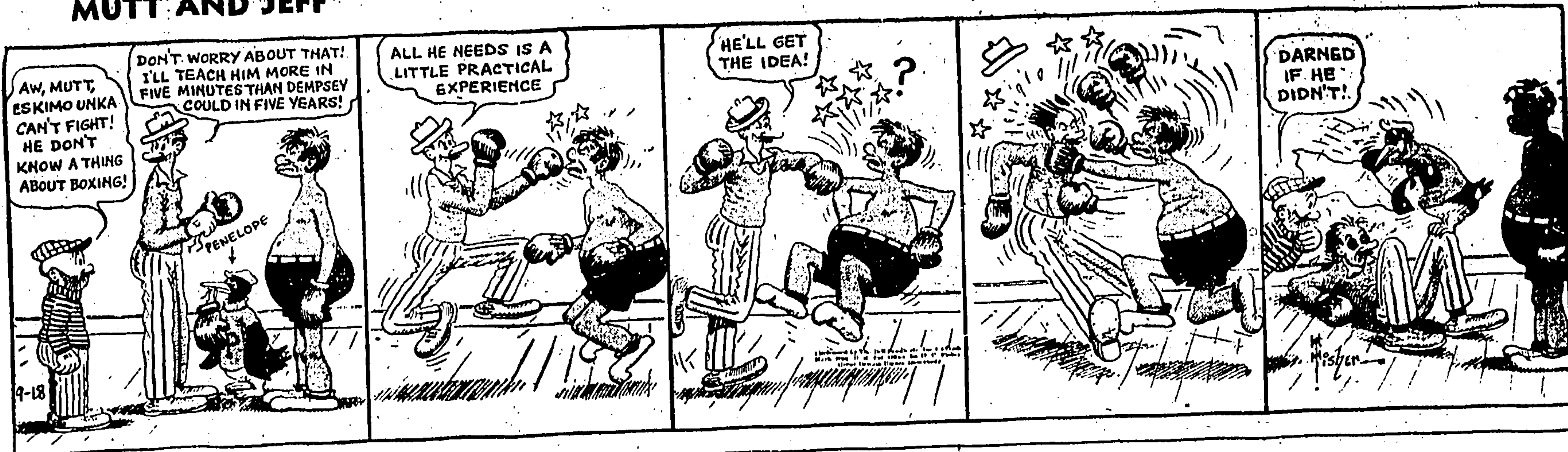
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6.45 p.m.—Studio—Children's Hour.
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"The Waltz Dream"—Selection (O. Strauss)... De Groot & The Piccadilly Orchestra.
Babylonian Nights (Zamecnick); In The Sudon (Sebek)... Alfred Van Dam & His Gaumont State Orchestra.
6.57 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
6.59 p.m.—Songs by Hubert Elsdell (Tenor).
Looking For You (Taylor & Sander-son); Love's Song Is Sung (Salmon & Russell); Always As I Close My Eyes (Handfield-Jones & E. Coates); Thinkin' Of Mary

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7.12 p.m.—Elgar—Sonata In E Minor, Op. 82. Albert Sammons (Violin) and William Murdoch (Piano).
7.37 p.m.—Orchestral Selections.
Springtime Suite (Eric Coates)... Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eric Coates.
Melodious Intermezzo (Wotscher); La Folletta (Marchesi)... Eric Olschewski & His Orchestra.
Tackleyway (Collins)... The Richard

Clean Orchestra.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Studio—Piano Recital by Nura Kanis.
1. Variation on a "Russian Dance" (Beethoven).
2. Intermezzo, Op. 118, No. 2 (Brahms).
3. Bees' Wedding (Mendelssohn).
4. The Prophet Bird (Schumann).
8.30 p.m.—Lidow—Eight Russian Folk Dances. Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra.
8.45 p.m.—Talk on "A Business Man's View on the War".
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m.—Puccini's "La Tosca" Act II. Singers in order of appearance: Appollo Granforte (Baritone); Giovanni Azzimonti (Bass); Nello Falai (Tenor); Carmen Melis (Soprano); and Piero Pauli (Tenor); with Orchestra of La Scala, Milan, conducted by Carlo Sabajno.
10.10 p.m.—Violin Solos by Fritz Kreisler.
Tambourin Chinois (Kreisler); Caprice Viennois (Kreisler)... with Piano accomp. by Franz Rupp.
A May Breeze (Songs without Words—Mendelssohn); London-derry Air (arr. Kreisler)... with Piano accomp. by Michael Rauchslein.
10.26 p.m.—Variety.
Vocal Quintette—Daddy Wouldn't Buy Me A Bow-Wow (Tabarr)... The Maestros with Piano.
Humorous Monologue—Gunner Joe (Edgar)... Stanley Holloway with Wolseley Charles at the Piano.
Vocal Quartette—Form Fours—War Songs Medley. Intro: If you want to find the sergeant; Leap Frog; Mop it down; Mary had a little Lamb; Last long mile; Rotten Song; Bully and Stew; And when I die; Old Macdougall had a farm; I want to go home; Rolling home; Beating We're Here... The Big Four with Orchestra.
Military Band—Policeman's Holiday—One Step (Ewing); Wee Macgregor Patrol (Amers)... The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
Vocal Quartette—Old Timers—Vocal Gems. Intro: Won't you come home, Bill Bailey; The ship I love; Git yer air cut; Champagne Charlie; After the Ball; Break the News to Mother; Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay; In the Good Old Summer-time; My Gal is a High-Born Lady; Little Alabama Coon; I Can't

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Tell Why I Love You; Good-bye, Dolly Gray.
Orch.—Drinking Songs (arr. Williams). There's a tavern in the town; In cellar cool; Little Brown Jug... Jack Hylton & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
11.00 p.m.—Close down.

FRIENDLY CRICKET

C.B.S. AND R.E. IN DRAWN GAME

Central British School drew with Royal Engineers in a friendly cricket match at Hung Hom yesterday, match ending in a draw.

R. Engineers—181 (Shaw 12, Carpenter 16, Waite 24 and Denyer 84; N. Smith 2 for 40; F. A. Weller 5 for 64).

C. B. School—129 for 9 (A. Odell 70, N. L. Smith 13, H. V. Lockhart 18; Denyer 3 for 38, Ratcliffe 5 for 36).

QUEEN'S COLLEGE WIN

In an inter-school match played at Sookunpoo yesterday, Queen's College beat Ellis Kadorie Indian School by 89 runs.

Queen's College—126 (M. Ayood Khan 55, Lo Tak-to 10, Fida Hussain not out 28; Harbans Singh 5 for 48, Nazir Ahmed 5 for 33).

E. K. Indians—37—Narata Singh 16; Gopal Singh 3 for 20; Khan Mohammed 4 for 6; Lo Tak-to 3 for 4.

"Y" LADIES' TEAMS FOR SATURDAY

The following have been chosen to represent the "Y" Ladies in friendly hockey games on Saturday.

SENIOR
Versus C.B.A. Ladies on the "Y" ground, 3.15 p.m.—Miss Minnot, Mrs. Strange and Mrs. Stone; Miss M. McCaw, Miss Pocock and Mrs. Starbuck; Mrs. Burnett, Miss Harker, Miss D. McCaw, Mrs. Gardner and Miss O. Pocock.

JUNIOR
Versus C.B.S. at C.B.S. at 4.15 p.m.—Mrs. Harrington; Mrs. Trimmer and Mrs. Curtis; Miss Dume, Miss Stokes and Miss Buchanan; Mrs. Aslett, Miss Bradbury, Miss Buckler, Mrs. Peters and Mrs. Grieve.

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South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠ A 10 9 4 3
♥ A J
♦ K 8
♣ Q J 7 6

Mr. McPherran
♠ J K 8 3
♥ Q 9 5 2
♦ A K 10
♣ 8 2

♠ 2
♥ 10 7 6 5 3
♦ A J 7 6 4
♣ 9 8

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	2NT	Pass
Pass	Dbl.	Pass	Pass
3♦	Dbl.	3♥	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

South's opening bid of course has nothing whatsoever to commend it. However, he did want to do something fancy. Then, when his partner bid two, notrump, South realized he had better quit before he got doubled. However, Mr. McPherran doubled anyway. North of course was perfectly happy to take at two notrump, but South couldn't stand it. When he went to three diamonds, Mr. McPherran doubled again. Then, when North went to three hearts, East doubled that.

Mr. McPherran opened the King of

clubs and then shifted to the Jack of spades. Declarer won with the Ace in dummy and played three rounds of diamonds, trumping the third with dummy's Jack of hearts. East over-ruffed with the Queen and promptly laid down the King of spades. Declarer ruffed low; McPherran over-ruffed with the eight-spot and played the deuce of hearts. At this point Declarer had lost three tricks and still had to lose the high club, the diamond and the high trump, and was down two for a loss of 300 on a hand where his opponents could not make game.

Yesterday you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and held:

♠ A K X
♥ X X X
♦ X X X
♣ X X X

The bidding:

Burnstone	Maier	You	Jacoby
1♦	1♠	(?)	

ANSWER: Your correct bid is to pass. Your Ace-King of spades represent two tricks and two stoppers in spades. However, unless your partner has enough body to his hand to warrant a free rebid, there is little chance for a game.

Score 100% for pass, 70% for one notrump, 0 for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 241
You are Merwin Maier's partner and hold:

♠ A K 7 6 5 4 3
♥ 10
♦ A 9
♣ A 8

The bidding:

Burnstone	Maier	You	Jacoby
1♠	Pass	Pass	(?)

What do you bid? (Answer: none)

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Police Win Their Opening Rugby Game By 10 TO 6

TAYLOR IS AGAIN STARVED: WOULD BE BETTER IN CENTRE

(By "SCRUM HALF")

Police opened their official list of Rugby fixtures with a win over a weak Club "A" team by two goals (10 points) to two tries (6 points) at the Valley yesterday.

Police were without Heath and Inniss, and Riddell, their coach, and Dempsey deputised. Day came into the Club side in place of Eager.

Not faced with the speed and thrust of the Army backs of the previous evening, Police gave a much improved display. They do not always play orthodox Rugby, but their keenness carries them a long way. At forward they more than held their own in the lineouts and loose, but were beaten for the ball time and again in the tight scrums. Searle, Cullinan, Davitt and Riddell worked hard throughout and set a fine example.

Wall played well at full-back and was every bit as good even after he had been off the field for a few moments with a head injury. Due to Fay's aptitude to pass too quickly all the threequarters were very closely marked and all lacked space in which to manoeuvre, while Taylor, on whom they rely so much, was starved throughout. Fay must draw his man and then pass. Yesterday the Club threequarters were on top of their opponents throughout as the result of ineffective close-passing by Police.

LUSCOMBE EXCELS

Luscombe again gave a rousing display at scrum-half, and he is going to need a lot of watching.

Carruthers had little to do except field long kicks of doubtful direction, and he was not seriously tested. Nelson was fast on the wing but poor in his handling. Day again proved very elusive, but he again threw away scoring opportunities by passing without looking where players of his own side were. He would be an invaluable asset if he passed to advantage or, if no one was up with him, used the punt. Hamilton was not impressive while Thompson was not suited to the wing position. He, however, grassed Taylor several times in masterly style. Butcher and Rutherford showed fair understanding and the back line was sent away as often as possible.

At forward, Salter made a welcome return and, though not over-exerting himself after his recent injury, impressed as hooker and in the loose. Stout and Hynes were the other forwards to catch the eye.

Early in the game Carruthers, after coming up with his own threequarters in the Club half, punted ahead and Fay was presented with an easy "mark" in a favourable position for a drop at goal. He preferred, however, to find touch.

DAY'S FINE RUN

Day picked up a loose ball and raced away before transferring to Thompson, who, however, sent a poor pass to Butcher on his inside, and a promising opening culminated in a scrum.

Soon after, however, Day again broke through to send Thompson over near the corner flag. The latter slowed up considerably before he side-stepped Wall, who should have grassed him. Stout failed with the kick.

The second Club try was the result of Day's determined running, Hamilton taking a reverse pass to dive over near the corner flag. Richardson had bad luck with his kick, the ball striking the near post well above the cross bar and dropping the wrong side.

Hynes picked up in the loose and made a useful run before passing to Salter, whose pass back to Hynes was forward. In tackling Hynes, Wall was injured, but he returned soon after, apparently none the worse for the mishap.

Just on the interval the Club players, defending on their 25 line, apparently thought the whistle had been blown and stopped play for the alert Luscombe to pick up and score between the posts for Fay to convert.

Half time—Club 8 pts. Police 5 pts.

SEARLE'S EXCELLENT PLAY

An early Club raid looked certain of producing a score but Day, with two men on his left, went down in possession. From the loose scrum that ensued Searle broke away and gained quite 25 yards as the result of taking the ball at his feet.

Following a cross-kick by Wall Wilson cut through to score near the posts for Fay to add the goal points and so give Police a 10-6 win. Police were lucky to get this try as it looked suspiciously like a knock-on, but they were unlucky a little earlier when one of their forwards kicked over the dead-line with no Club player within yards of the three up with the ball on the Club line.

All in all, Police, badly needing match practice, are improving and they should be given a stiffer "A" team to play next time. Taylor, their most valuable scoring factor, is being wasted on the wing as he seldom gets the ball. It would be worth experimenting with him as inside to Jackson, with Wilson as the other centre three-quarter.

C. Austin refereed and the teams were:

Police—Wall; Taylor, Wilson, Jackson and Reynolds; Fay and Luscombe; Wheeler, Searle and Morrison; Cullinan and Davitt; Dempsey, Jenner and Riddell.

Club—Carruthers; Nelson, Day, Hamilton and Thompson; Butcher and Rutherford; Stout, Salter and Wanklyn; King and Hynes; Roscoe, Benn and Richardson.



K.C.C. PROSPECTS FAIRLY BRIGHT

(By "ADREM")

If the bowling could not be described as being of a very high standard, some fairly good batting was seen at Kowloon Cricket Club on Sunday in the whole-day intra-club match.

Cricket throughout the day was keen despite the effects of an excellent lunch and although aching limbs were the order rather than the exception by the time stumps were drawn, most players are decided that this type of game is one to be repeated.

Of course all other performances were overshadowed by the batting of R. T. Broadbridge and E. C. Fincher. The former took full advantage of the offerings of such members of the other side whose bowling ability can best be described as "optimistic" rather than anything else.

As one of these gentlemen remarked plaintively after three hours of leather-hunting: "If I could only bat to my own bowling, I think I could make centuries!"

Broadbridge scored most of his runs by hooking and driving. He did both with great power. In fact, so hard was he hitting that even on the occasions that he did not connect properly, the ball usually soared well out of reach of anyone.

Fincher's innings was probably the better one of the two from a technical point of view. This was the second time this season that he'd handled a bat—the first was at H.K.C.C. when he put up a dolly catch off the first ball he received.

On Sunday he appeared to have difficulty in getting his left foot across to off-drive with the result that such efforts usually finished up at square-leg, but he secured quite a number of fours from this "stroke."

Of the others, Tommy Madar was shaping really well, especially against Anderson, when he was run out by Mackay, while F. J. Lay played a correct innings of 25 and Rapley again batted well.

The less said about the bowling the better!

K.C.C. have a 'great deal of talent and the big problem confronting the selectors will be who to drop. Greatest trouble, as usual is to find some bowlers. There were

NOMADS BEAT CLUB IN FRIENDLY HOCKEY

A goal by Franco, on the right wing, in the closing minutes of the game enabled Nomads Hockey Club to beat Hong Kong Hockey Club by the only goal scored, in a friendly game at King's Park yesterday.

The Nomads were outplayed for the greater part of the game but the hard work of their defence prevented the Club from scoring.

The Club fielded their strongest side, with the exception of G. E. R. Divett who was replaced by S. Fowler at centre forward. The latter was not at his best. Norman Whitley and Morgan were fairly prominent in the attack.

D. Smith on the right wing played a good game and sent over good centres.

Potter gave a good display in the intermediate line while Comdr. Corrie Hill on his left was a useful player.

The Nomads did not reveal much combination in the forward line but they did not lack enthusiasm.

R. J. Reed, at centre half, was the outstanding player for the winners while R. Xavier, at right back, also played a sound game.

Club—V. M. Benwell; V. C. Bond and E. V. Reed; J. E. Potter, W. A. Reed and J. A. Corrie-Hill; D. T. Smith, D. de S. Carey, S. A. Fowler, N. B. M. Whitley and E. F. A. Morgan.

Nomads—E. A. Alves; H. Soares and R. Xavier; F. Soares, R. J. Reed and A. Xavier; F. O. Reed, S. A. Reed, L. F. Osmond, J. H. Franco and B. Xavier.

doubts about R. E. Lee turning out, but I learn that he has finally decided that he can spare his Saturday's for cricket!

E. F. Fincher is due back from leave at about the middle of next month, and, were Burnett and Mackay able to turn out regularly, K.C.C. would have their entire first team of last season available in addition to the recruits.

Lack of balance between their bowling and their batting will probably prevent them winning the League but they will be a difficult team to beat over whole-day or two-day matches where their batsmen will be able to have full scope.

WHY THE SHANGHAI HOCKEY LEAGUE HAS BEEN SUSPENDED

(By "ADREM")

I NOTICE THAT a contemporary deplores the fact that the Shanghai Hockey League will not operate this season. He states that this action hardly conforms with the "express wish from Home that the Colonies can best do their bit by continuing normally."

What he forgets, however, is the fact that Shanghai is an international settlement and not a colony—not by a long chalk.

Participating in the Shanghai Hockey League hitherto were teams representing all nationalities, many of them belligerent.

That is also the main reason why hockey and not games like football, cricket and Rugby is affected. For that is the one game in Shanghai where the Germans have nearly always led the field.

The whole situation is very ably summed up by a sports writer in the "China Press," commenting last month on the pros and cons for the continuance of hockey in Shanghai for this season.

This is what he had to say: "It is all good and well to say that in the interests of sportmanship, etc., etc., etc., the Shanghai Hockey League will not hold its annual season this year because—let's come straight to the facts—the major part of the participants in the League are hostile belligerents."

But that is only evading the issue. "It may, perhaps, be too harsh to say that the very opposite to good sportmanship influences the decision to slash all plans of competitive hockey this season."

But at any rate good sportmanship has no part in this entire scheme of things.

"It may be pointed out that it would be the peak of good sportmanship on the part of all hockey players concerned if the League were carried on as usual."

"Just as liquor is dangerous to man, thus politics is dangerous to sport."

"Man should have thought to do with liquor, and sport should have thought to do with politics. Especially in our city where we pride ourselves on our international tolerance."

"It is, I may point out without fear of successful contradiction, pure love of the game that prompts players to dust their sticks after a game, to change, and to go out there on the field and play, win or lose."

NOT A WORD about the sound like a tommy-gun, or the crashing—philosophy of life. This philosophy must not be interfered with by any means.

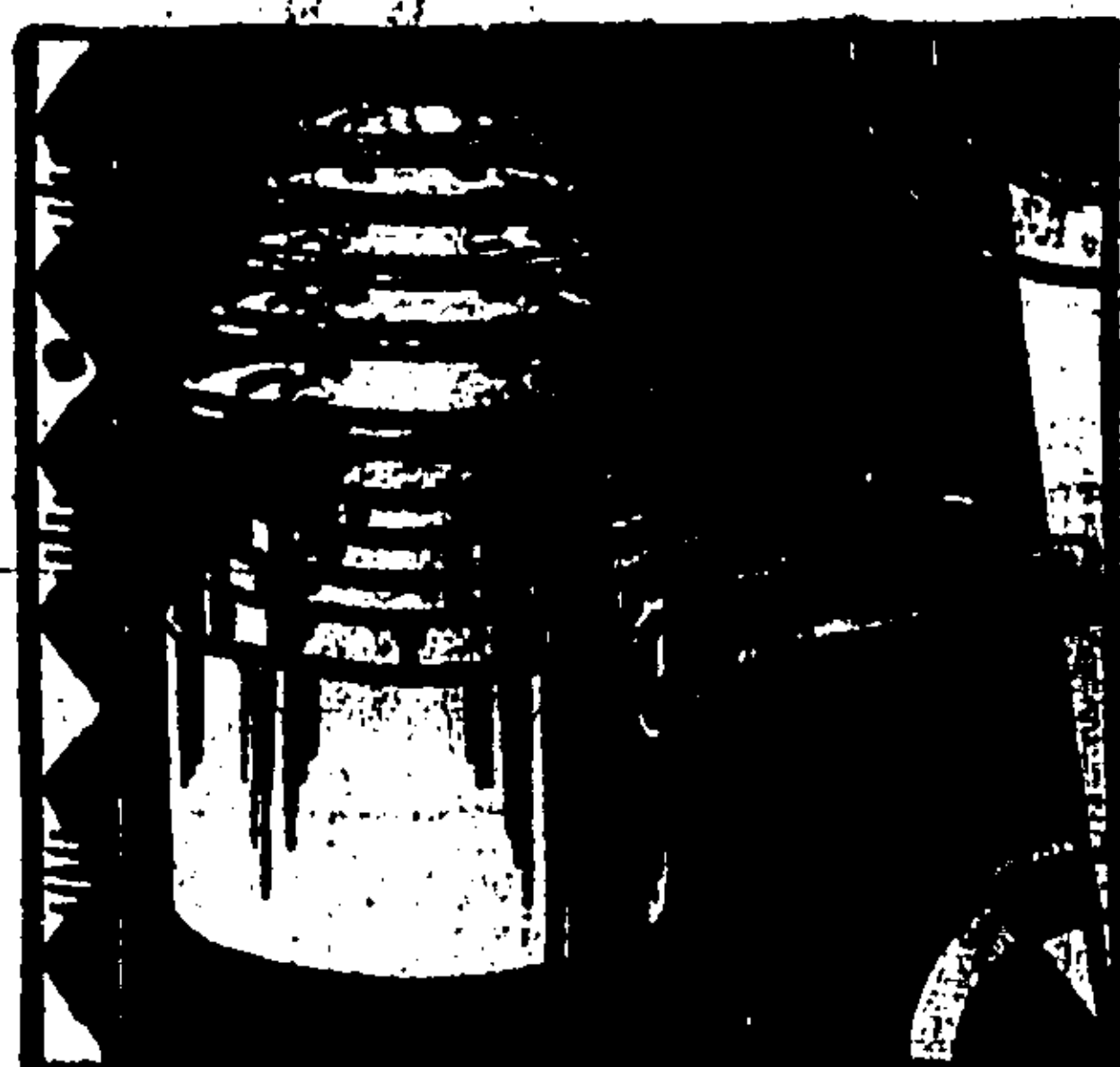
And a slowly-but-community's sports-world must not be shattered by rolling tanks and the detonations of bombs.

"Give the shooting match a try—and test that abstract virtue—which most of us claim we possess, a sense of sportmanship."

"There is basically just this way out of the situation, if the way out of the situation is desired to be graceful. But there are also two other ways. One of these is to cancel the annual meeting on the third Wednesday of October and to evade the issue completely."

"No patriotism would be shown by this act, no rewards reaped, and a lack of backbone displayed."

"The other solution is to form an inviolable League. This would involve snobbishness and the best of bad sportmanship."



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WE will enter, we won't enter, we will . . . at the present moment they're not—that's St. Teresa's and the local badminton League.

This dithering not only happened this season, but also last. On both occasions this club, most of whose members play for Kowloon Tong Club, have, up the very last, maintained their intention of entering "B" Division of the League. This year they even went further and entered.

Since then they have once again changed their minds and either have done so, or, as I know for a fact, are withdrawing.

I don't like this sort of thing a bit. Apart from the fact that it places Kowloon Tong in such a position that they never know until the last moment whether they will have enough players to enter a team, it savours to me of pot-hunting, a nasty

word but one suggested to me by a member of St. Teresa's in his explanation of the matter.

These are his actual words: "We were going to enter as St. Teresa's as we expected to have the services of two fine players who were all we needed to have a team capable of winning the League. As these players have now intimated that they intend playing for their old clubs, we have decided to throw in our lot with Kowloon Tong as they should have a more powerful team, with us, than we could turn out ourselves!"

I don't know if the authorities of St. Teresa's Club are aware of what

is happening in their badminton section but I would advise them to institute an investigation as action such as this reflects on the club as a whole.

SINCE I wrote the foregoing, I have learned that St. Teresa's have after all entered. Apparently just prior to the annual meeting held recently the Hon. Secretary of the Association was asked to withdraw their entry and, presumably on the assumption that they would be able to call on the St. Teresa players, Kowloon Tong entered two teams in order that as many members of the club as possible would be able to

play in the League.

I can't for the life of me see how the latter club will be able to run both teams now that St. Teresa's have once again changed their minds.

LADIES HOCKEY TRIAL

The following Kowloon players are asked to turn up for the first hockey trial, for the Island versus Mainland match, on Monday, Oct. 30, on the C.B.A. ground, King's Park, at 5.15 p.m.

Colours:—M. Read, G. White, M. Willmott; M. Silva, M. Gonsalves, P. Everest, B. Longbottom, M. Quick, A. Smith, B. Harker, F. Wong, A. Alves (Extra forward).

White:—J. Hall, B. Parsons, D. Moss, H. Reid, I. Woolley, J. Wong, M. Smalley, N. Quinn, D. McCaw, M. Shand, M. Marr.

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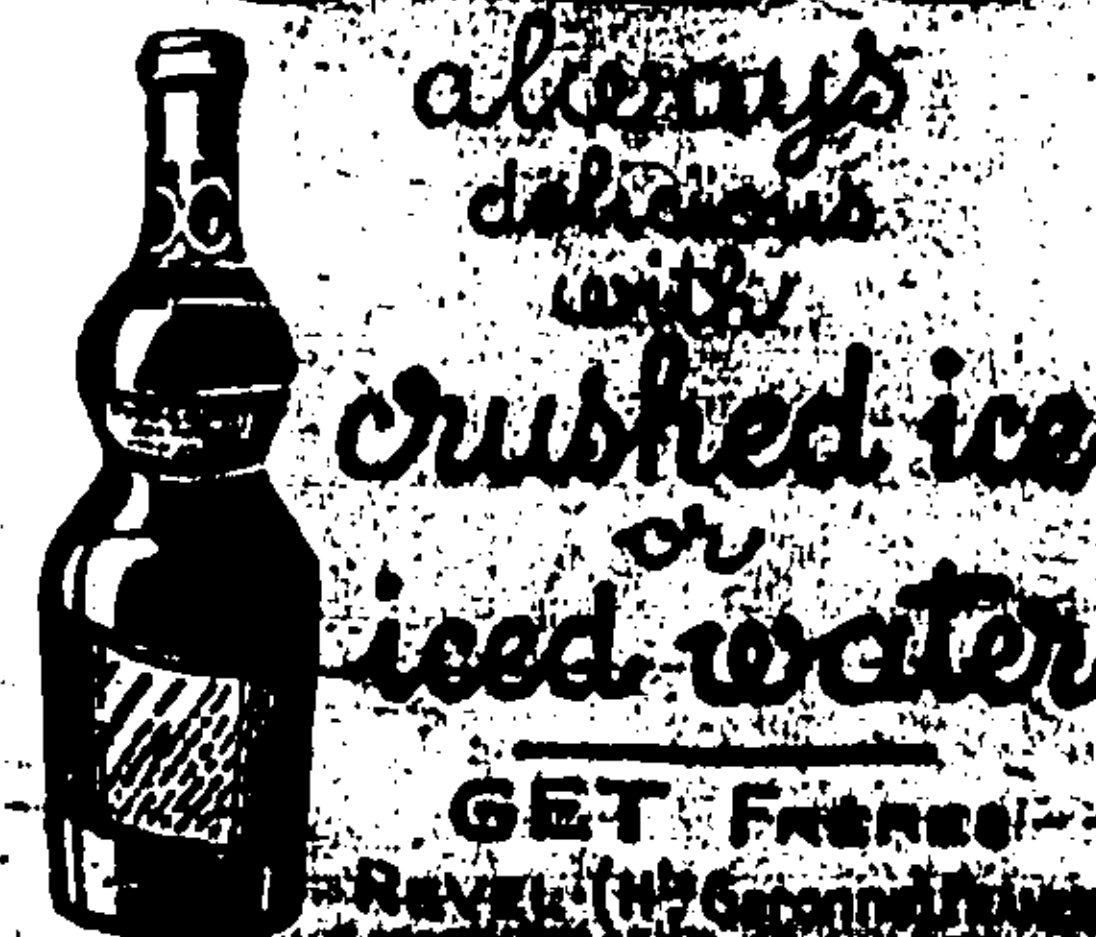
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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 30th day of October, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Tau Chung in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4193.	Between Kowloon Inland Lots Nos. 1947 and 2940, Ma Tau Chung Road, Ma Tau Chung.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 3,100	\$36	\$2,325
			As per sale plan						

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	Garden Lot No. 197.	Adjacent to Garden Lot No. 79, Stubbs Road, Wanchai Gap.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 4,800	\$12	\$250
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London, To-day.
A united front of British and French Labour is bespoken by the decision to establish a joint Trade Union Committee representing the Confederation Generale Travail and the Trade Union Congress.

The Committee will consist of seven members from each country and will sit each month in London and Paris alternately.

The British Trade Union leader, in an interview with the "Daily Telegraph," declared that the decision means that the British and French working class organizations present a united front against Hitlerism, which is a negation of all that the unfettered trade unionism of the two democracies upholds.

The labour leaders of the two countries will keep in constant touch on methods of prosecuting the war, virtually in the same way as the political and military leaders pooled their aims, resources and tactics.—Reuter.

MARKING OF H.K. CHANNELS

Mariners are notified that Light Buoys exhibiting a flashing light every 10 seconds, and Unlighted Buoys carrying red flags have been laid to mark the limits of prohibited areas in the north Lantau Channel and the West Lamma Channel and the Southern approach to Silver Mine Bay (Lantau).

Owing to the departure of Mrs. Grasett from the Colony, Lady Macgregor has kindly consented to present the prize at the American Tennis Tournament on Sunday in aid of the British War Organization Fund.

RADIO OFFENSIVE

Paris, To-day.

The Nazis are going full blast with propaganda outbursts from the German trenches on the western front.

Yesterday they turned on loud speakers from the front lines.

The reaction of the French soldiers opposite consisted of heavy bursts of machine-gun fire, followed by the shout: "Now perhaps you'll understand that we're not interested." —Reuter.

NEIGHBOURS INTERVENE

Timely interference by neighbours prevented three men armed with daggers from robbing the inmates of No. 44, Ewo Street, Shauiwan to-day.

The neighbours who saw the men force their way into the premises, blew police whistles and shouted "Thieves, Thieves!"

The men made a hasty retreat and escaped.

HOW THE CRACKER FACTORIES SURVIVE

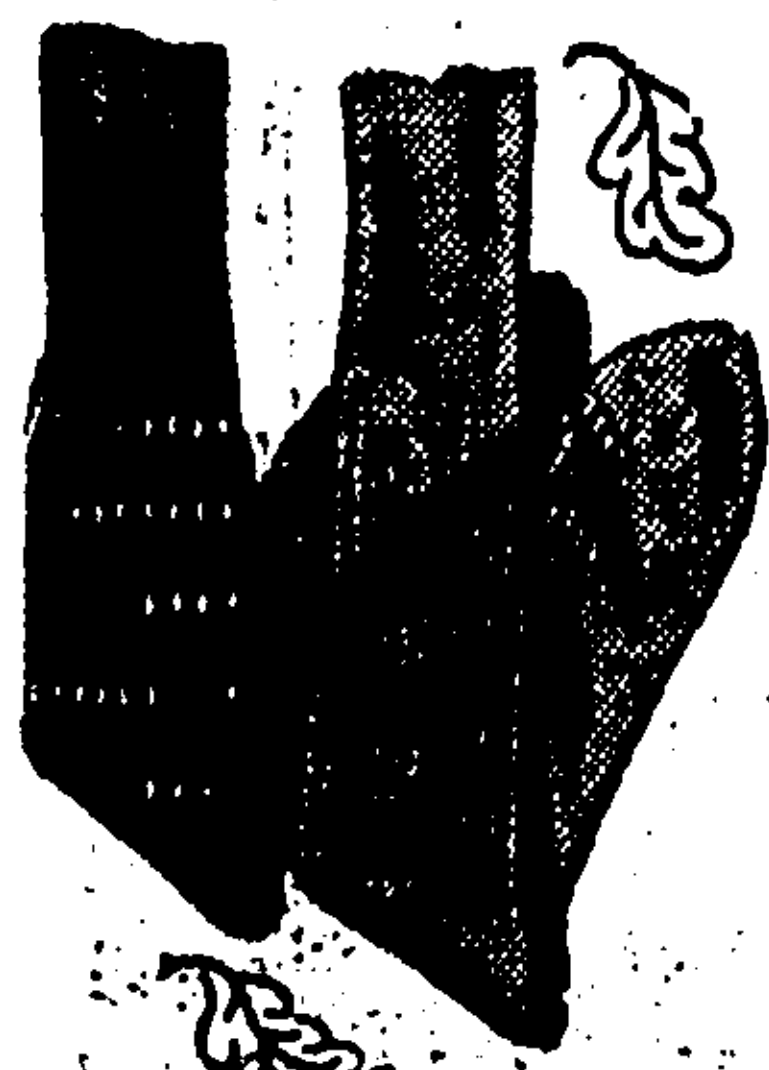
Some 2,927 permits to fire crackers at wedding ceremonies were issued by the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs last year.

The total number of permits issued was 3,772, of which 57 were for theatrical performances.

The remainder were for birthdays and shop-openings, 24 for religious ceremonies and seven for processions.

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A memorandum issued in connection with the application of the Essential Commodities Ordinance to rice, says:

No person will be permitted to import rice into the Colony unless in possession of a licence to do so from the Food Controller.

The total stock to be held will be 200,000 bags of 2 cwt. each. Applications will be invited from persons who desire to be licensed as importers and each will be asked the maximum quantity he wishes to be authorized to import. These maximum quantities will be aggregated with an addition of 10 per cent. to allow for applicants not taking up their licences and other contingencies. The total stock of 200,000 bags will be allocated among the applicants proportionately to the amounts which they have applied to be authorized to import.

Applications will only be accepted if the applicant appears to have some genuine interest in the rice trade or intends to enter the trade other than for purely speculative purposes.

Each holder of minimum stock will receive payment from a central fund at the rate of 12 cents per picul per month. The central fund will be provided from a levy on all imports of rice, which will be fixed initially at 12 cents per picul although it is hoped that this will yield some margin and that the rate of levy can be reduced in subsequent periods.

The Food Controller may at his discretion permit any licensed importer to import a quantity in excess of the quantity originally authorised provided that such additional imports shall pay an extra levy of 12 cents per picul in addition to the ordinary levy. The Food Controller may also authorize at any time a proportionate increase in the amounts authorised to be imported by all licensed importers if the demand appears to necessitate such increase, and in the event of such a general proportionate increase no additional levy will be payable.

INITIATION OF SCHEME

Licences will be issued in the first place for a period of six months. Licensed importers will be required to acquire their stocks within a period of 14 days and in order to enable them to do so Government would transfer to them from its own stocks whatever quantities might be required at prices for the various grades based on the average price prevailing during the month of November.

All stocks will be held in godowns registered by the Food Controller.

Government will compensate for any damage or loss of stocks as a result of enemy action.

Government obtained informally from the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank an assurance that advances will be made up to 70% of the value of stock held under the scheme, subject to the usual conditions as to deposit of documents with the Bank.

The Daylight Saving Bill was given its first reading in Legislative Council this afternoon. The proposal to carry the Bill through all stages was not proceeded with.

Kunming, To-day.

An air service between Chungking and Rangoon is commencing on October 30. — Reuter.

Kunming, To-day.

The Governor, General Lung, is showing personal concern over the local food situation. Yesterday he ordered the Reconstruction Bureau and other organizations to form a Co-operative Consumers' Society in order to maintain the supply of daily necessities. — Reuter.

Firing was audible last night and early this morning from Chinese territory opposite Lok Ma Chau and Lo Wu. It is believed that bands of guerillas attacked the Japanese outposts.

A. Brooksbank won the lawn bowls championship of Hong Kong Football Club yesterday when he beat E. C. Tuck in the final by 21—20.

Victor Shamraeff, charged with manslaughter, was found Not Guilty at the Criminal Sessions this afternoon and discharged.

H.K. EMIGRANTS

The number of women and children emigrants last year was 42,753 as compared with 33,539 in 1937, according to the annual report of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

The number of assisted emigrants was 1,466 as compared with 7,564 in the previous year.

A small fire occurred at 3 a.m. to-day in Reclamation Street, Kowloon, in a Chinese shop. Much damage to goods was done before the fire was gauged and the outbreak under control.

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